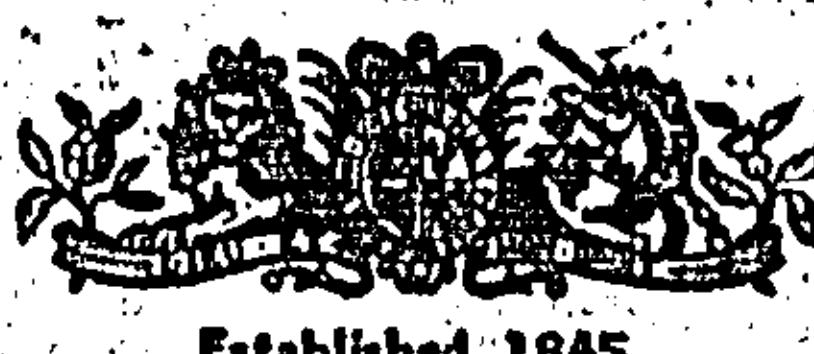


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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Embarrassing Events

NEVER have the Communist Parties of Western Europe found themselves in such deep and embarrassing difficulties as at the present time. Often enough the Kremlin has alienated sympathisers by acts which were either a denial of human decency or an insult to human intelligence. But recent events, such as the Prague trial, and the anti-Jewish campaign in Eastern Germany and Poland, have done more than upset the sympathetic fringe. They have shaken the loyalty of many who have shown an endless gullibility in the past and a cheerful readiness to agree that black is white if Stalin should choose in his wisdom to say so. The Prague trial was not strikingly more obscene than others of its kind, but in some respects it was much more disturbing to the would-be-faithful. "Progressives" who veer towards the extreme Left have always had a special regard for Czechoslovakia, which was considered to be a model Republic of democracy, Socialism and generally advanced views. Judicial murders elsewhere have often been explained away by references to the backwardness of the peoples and the need for the type of punishment to fit those still in the Tudor stage of social development and civilisation. But no one can pretend that such excuses have any validity whatever in Czechoslovakia. That country, so long praised as a shining example of contemporary enlightenment, has been suddenly thrust back into utter barbarism.

Jews have a special reason to be horrified by the Prague trial and subsequent events in Eastern Germany and Poland. While not the first examples of official anti-Semitism in Eastern Europe, they are, however, the most glaring. Communists are arguing with patient anxiety that anti-Zionism is not the same thing as anti-Semitism, and that no harm will come to Jews who are ready to disown all sympathy with Israel and live as docile and unquestioning subjects of the Communist State in which they find themselves. But bitter experience has taught Jews that their usefulness as scapegoats will not be at all diminished by such fine distinctions. The distinction, in fact, is nearly meaningless. Not all Jews are Zionists, but the Jews are rarely indeed who would accept the ruling of a friendly interest in Israel is to be equated with high treason and punishable by death.

Adding to the embarrassment of Communists living in democratic countries is the witch hunting of Marty and Dillon in France. For long enough the British Communist Party was taught to look to the French Party for a lead, and Marty has been a venerable and nearly legendary figure for more than a generation. Self-abasement might be called the Communist form of Yoga. It is claimed to be a refreshing, spiritual exercise. But not even a Communist can fail to reflect that if Marty and Dillon had been in Czechoslovakia, they would have followed or preceded Slansky to the guillotine. Many a Communist in the free world must be secretly relieved that the day of "people's justice" and the democracies is not yet.

'Good News' About Sudan Likely In Next 48 Hours

CANAL ZONE ISSUE NEXT ON THE LIST

Cairo, Jan. 13.

A government spokesman said last night he hoped for "good news" within 48 hours on the future of the Sudan, after renewed negotiations yesterday between Sir Ralph Stevenson, British Ambassador, and the Egyptian government.

The Premier of Egypt, General Mohammed Naguib, has asked to see Sir Ralph today, the spokesman of the Egyptian government, Colonel Anwar Sadat, told a press conference.

He added: "I hope to be able to give you good news on the Sudan within the next 48 hours."

Colonel Sadat declined to comment on reports that Anglo-Egyptian negotiations on the Sudan would be stepped up during the next 48 hours.

He added: "Both Egypt and the Sudan stick to the Egyptian note of November 2." This note contained Egypt's proposed amendments to the draft constitution for the Sudan.

The spokesman said that, after settling the Sudan question, the Egyptian government "will tackle the question of the evacuation of British troops from the Canal Zone."

Observers here said a settlement on the Sudan would also give the green light to talks aimed at bringing Egypt into Middle East Defence arrangements.

A new draft text of the Sudan Constitution, based on Egypt's proposals and handed over yesterday by the British Ambassador, has evoked a favourable impression in diplomatic circles here.

The text was reported to have met with most of Egypt's proposals for self-determination in the Sudan.

Sir Ralph was to have seen the Egyptian Premier yesterday, but General Naguib was at Fund al Awwal University, where he spoke of Egypt's "marriage" and "enemy."

The British Ambassador met Foreign Minister Mahmoud Fawzi and members of the Egyptian delegation to the Sudan.

DRAFT TEXT

He presented a draft text for an agreement between the two governments, based on the Egyptian note of November 2.

A joint communiqué issued after the meeting said the Egyptian government was considering the text and would further meetings would be held soon.

The draft text has not yet been published, but it is understood to contain all points that have been discussed in Cairo, Khartoum and London.

British circles here are hopeful that it will be acceptable to Egypt.

It is thought there is no vestige of truth in the accusation that Britain wants to separate the Southern Sudan from the North and incorporate it in the British Empire. The British attitude is that they wish both North and South to march forward in full unity.

If Egypt finds the text acceptable final agreement should be reached quickly, observers believe.

The main stumbling block in the negotiations so far concerns the special powers of the British Governor-General of the Sudan in the Southern States.

CHANGE SIDES

The Southerners—generally described as "backwards"—have so far insisted that the Governor-General, Sir Robert Howe, should have special powers to "protect" them during the agreed three years before they exercise the right to self-determination.

But Major Salah Salem, General Naguib's special envoy, who has just returned from a three-week tour of the Sudan, has induced Southern Sudanese Socialist Republican Party to change sides.

He has persuaded the Party, which represents 3,000,000 tribesmen, to drop the special powers demands.

The Southern Sudanese are now lined up with the other three parties—the UMMA (People's Party—largest in the country), National Party and the National Unionist (the Party

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Mine Disaster: Nine Killed

Johannesburg, Jan. 12.

Nine African miners were killed, eight injured and one is still missing, following a weekend accident in an East Rand mine, mine operators announced today.

One European miner was trapped but later rescued. The accident was caused by the collapse of a shaft. Rescue operations are still under way.—United Press.

MOSSADEGH SEES THE SHAH

Teheran, Jan. 12.

Premier Mossadegh had a three-hour audience with the Shah on Monday, presumably, according to sources close to the government, informing the monarch of developments in the oil talks with US Ambassador Henderson as well as his request to the Majlis for extension of his extraordinary powers.

As usual no announcement was made on the topics discussed. "The Majlis is due to meet again on Tuesday to consider extension of Mossadegh's powers. Political tipsters believe he will get a quorum on Tuesday since several deputies who have been out of the city have been summoned to take their seats."

Opinion is growing that Mossadegh is likely to get what he asks of the Majlis despite several protests led by Hussein Maki, who declared he is resigning his seat and retiring from politics.

Observers regard Maki's retirement from politics sceptically, opining he is actually moving to cut loose from Mossadegh's national front in order to build his own following and aim at the Premiership.

NEW ORGANISATION

Cairo, Jan. 12.

Colonel Anwar Sadat, Government spokesman, announced tonight that the statutes and programme of the newly created auxiliary "liberation organisation" will be published on January 23, marking the first six months of Egypt's new regime.

He described as "premature" reports that a new national anthem would be adopted on the same day.

Colonel Sadat added that members of the "liberation organisation" would not wear uniforms.

Colonel Sadat brushed off questions about an Israeli protest to Britain and the United States against sales of arms to Egypt. "We don't bother about Israel," he said. He refused to disclose whether Egypt has been receiving arms from Britain or America since the Israeli protest was lodged on December 7.—Reuters.

Ship Docks With Fire In Holds

Lisbon, Jan. 12.

The 2,270 tons British cargo steamer, Hendrick, docked here this evening with fire burning in two of her holds.

Her cargo of esparto grass was unloaded to tackle the blaze.

No one in the vessel, bound from Soussou Tunisia to Methil Scotland, was hurt.—Reuters.

Kenya White Settlers Form Protection Association

Nairobi, Jan. 12.

Hundreds of white settlers from all over Kenya met at Thomson's Falls today and decided to form a "United Kenya Protection Association."

They demanded that the government should "treat the Mau Mau for what it is, namely a terrorist organisation aimed against Christianity and civilisation" and that "a system of unified command and summary justice" be introduced immediately to deal with it.

Because of the "increasing number of outrages and atrocities," the meeting urged that all Kikuyu employees of government and other concerns suspected of complicity in Mau Mau murders be sent back to their tribal areas from towns, forest reserves and elsewhere.

The settlers called for "effective restriction" on the movement of Kikuyu "by bus, train, car, bicycle or on foot" to and from the trouble areas.

Then the meeting expressed its "firm conviction that there will be no peace in Kenya until Colonial Office control is stopped" and demanded a "government of Kenya by Kenyans under European (white) leadership."

Condemning present security measures as inadequate, the settlers demanded imposition of a censorship "on all news distribution and broadcasts."

Earlier, Mr. Michael Blundell, leader of the elected European members of the Legislature, had announced that the elected members were to talk this week about "the transfer of responsibility from London to Nairobi."

Was The Marriage Valid?

Knotty Point For Privy Council

London, Jan. 12.

The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council here today were told the story of a marriage between a wealthy Jewish merchant and a Chinese widow in Singapore, when they heard an appeal against decisions of the Singapore Court upholding the validity of the ceremony.

Both parties were British subjects.

The merchant Mr. Abraham Penhas died in March 1942. His younger brother, Mr. Isaac Penhas, has lodged the appeal.

Counsel for Mr. Isaac Penhas, Mr. J. A. Temple, QC, said Mr. Abraham Penhas made a will in April 1936 which benefited Isaac, but if the ceremony which took place in 1937 between Abraham and the widow, Tan Soo Eng, was a good one, the will would be revoked.

"What sort of marriage is one of the questions propounded," he declared. "Was it a formal marriage, a Jewish marriage, a Chinese marriage or a Christian marriage?"

The case arose from a petition by Tan Soo Eng for a grant of letters of administration as his lawful widow. Mr. Temple explained. It was said that she was married to Abraham Penhas according to Chinese rites.

The defence was that, so far as anybody connected with Abraham by ties of blood or race was concerned, this alleged marriage was an entire secret.

Mr. Temple said that in September 1937 a Eurasian woman hawker, who was not a professional marriage broker, was approached by Abraham Penhas to find him a wife.

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Through her Abraham was introduced to Tan Soo Eng whose mother had consented to the marriage. He gave Tan Soo Eng \$500 to find accommodation. She found a house in No. 508 Sims Avenue, Singapore, and the evidence was that he visited her there once or twice a week.

On December 1937, the parties decided on a Chinese marriage ceremony.

On the day, Abraham arrived at Tan Soo Eng's house with two Jewish friends and a Chinese gentleman.

"There were some dozen people present at the house and the old Chinese gentleman asked the parties if they were willing to become man and wife," Mr. Temple told the Judicial Committee.

"Both said 'yes'. The wife worshipped after her fashion, going through some Chinese rites and simultaneously Abraham covered his head, raised his right hand and murmured in his own language."

The Singapore court had held that the parties consented to be married, he added.

The hearing was adjourned until tomorrow.—Reuters.

Move To Outlaw The "Cosh"

London, Jan. 12.

Britain's Conservative Government was tonight expected to seek Labour support on a bill to outlaw the cosh (blackjack) and similar weapons which have been used recently in crimes of violence.

Coshes, life preservers and knuckle-dusters can now be carried legally except at public meetings or in processions.

Homemade weapons are being improvised from such things as children's toy rubber truncheons, harmless in themselves but dangerous if packed with sand or other heavy substances.

But if the proposed bill started a political controversy it would throw the Government's Parliamentary programme out of gear. Hence the need for consultation with the Labour opposition.—Reuters.

Advocates Blockade Of China's Coastline

Washington, Jan. 13.

Fleet Admiral Ernest King, one of America's greatest experts on naval warfare and a World War II leader, has demanded a blockade of the entire Chinese Communist coastline by the United States Navy and the use of volunteers from Taiwan and other Asian countries to fight Communist China on land.

Admiral King made his demands in an interview published in the magazine, US News and World Report, published here on Monday.

A former member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee, Admiral King is now on the retired list, but is regularly called in by the Pentagon for consultations.

In his interview with the pro-Republican magazine, Admiral King said the blockade would mean interrupting the shipment of supplies to Communist China, "no matter in what vessels cargoes may be destined for ports in China or the Far East."

The Admiral added, however, that America would probably have to compromise after a while with the Chinese.

Admiral King said he did not believe that such a blockade would lead to war with the Soviet Union. He claimed that the "technicalities of international law" had a meaning only when they could be exploited by the Russians. He considered, however, that an eventual counter-attack by Soviet submarines was definitely a hazard to be respected.

GREATER DANGER

He added that it appeared to him, however, this danger was less for the Allied navies than mine-laying by the Communists in the Yellow Sea, the Pacific and the China Sea.

Admiral King said he considered that such a blockade would force the Communists to divert part of their troops from the Korean war theatre to the coastal area facing Taiwan.

He also advocated the use of all available Asian volunteers, including those from Taiwan, to form an army to help anti-Communist resistance on the mainland.

Although the Admiral did not give any definite views on the advisability of bombing Manchuria and the Chinese mainland, he said such attacks would be within the reach of carrier-borne aircraft. Long-range bombing raids, he said, would have to be confined to aircraft based on Okinawa and other islands.

ATOMIC BOMB

Replying to a question on the use of the atomic bomb, Admiral King declared, "I believe the United States should be prepared to use the bomb against military targets at a moment's notice."

The retired Admiral said that he was in favour of the rebuilding of the Japanese Navy. "An island nation must have a navy to protect its sea lanes," he explained. "Japan is now independent and I hope she will build up the Allied side."

To Be Expelled

Washington, Jan. 13.

The Supreme Court yesterday decided to expel from the United States, Roman Martinez, a Mexican national, on the grounds that he belonged to the Communist Party in 1932.

Martinez, who has lived in America since 1924, was a member of the Communist Party for several months.—France Press.

BEATEN OFF BY HOME GUARD

Nairobi, Jan. 12.

Africans believed to number between 20 and 50 attacked the Kikuyu Home Guard of Chief Muboya's location in the Nyeri district last night, the police reported today.

They were repulsed leaving one dead and two severely wounded.—Reuters.

TRANSLATION TROUBLES PLAGUE MAU MAU TRIAL Interpreter Rebuked

Kapenguria, Jan. 12.

Difficulties of translation from Kikuyu into English nearly led to another adjournment today of the trial here of Jomo Kenyatta and five other African leaders charged with management of the Mau Mau terrorist society.

A new stopgap interpreter, 30-year-old Johan Kimothia, a Kikuyu, graduate of Adams College, Natal, took his place in court today, the 16th day of the trial. For two years he has been an interpreter in Kenya Supreme Court, which appointed him to his present job.

Mr. D. N. Pritt, QC, British defence lawyer, had objected last week to the court interpreter, Dr Louis Lesky.

During cross examination today the witness alleged that he had been threatened with death if he ever revealed that Kenyatta had taken part.

Mr. Thacker said in the course of today's hearing that unless he was completely satisfied with the interpretation, he must stop the case.

If he went on without being satisfied, the Appeal Court of East Africa would order a retrial in case of a conviction.

"I am in a complete difficulty about this interpretation," he said.

"I don't know Kikuyu. If I am not satisfied about it, it is my duty to stop the case. But am I satisfied or not—I just don't know."—Reuters.

Wales Seeks A Capital

London, Jan. 12.

The question of a capital for Wales was discussed at the Home Office here today by deputations from the Cardiff City Council and the Caernarvon Borough Council.

Both of these towns want the title, although it was understood that Caernarvon may waive claim if it has the support for an appeal to petition the Queen to designate the town a Royal borough.

Caernarvon claims links with royalty dating to Edward I, whose infant son became the first Prince of Wales.

The Invincible of the Duke of Windsor took place in Caernarvon Castle in 1911.

Apart from Cardiff and Caernarvon, there is another strong contender for the title—Aberystwyth—whose Mayor described an affair between Cardiff and Caernarvon as "irresponsible."

Since 1949 when Cardiff presented a petition to the Home Office seeking the status of capital, Welsh authorities have been trying to secure an agreement on the question.—Reuters.

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France's Radical Prime Minister



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European Defence Sick From Success

U.S. Expert's Views

New York, Jan. 12. The North Atlantic Treaty Organisation, with 60 to 80 army divisions and 5,000 planes spread from Northern Norway to the Caucasus, is sick from success, Hanson Baldwin wrote in the New York Times today.

The crisis in NATO would be one of the first major problems confronting the new administration of President-elect Dwight Eisenhower, the newspaper's military correspondent added. Mr. Baldwin recently returned from a three-month survey of major NATO countries.

It was a crisis of short-term success but, so far, of long-term failure which would necessitate sooner or later a reappraisal of methods and taken in Europe and a redefinition of NATO objectives there.

The vacuum of military power which had existed in Western Europe since the surrender of Germany had been filled partly and temporarily by the United States forces and United States aid, but there was no prospect that Europe would generate the capability for self-defence within the foreseeable future.

There was no longer any likelihood of another Korea in Europe, Mr. Baldwin said.

Soviet forces in advanced positions in Eastern or Central Europe were not strong enough without reinforcement to ensure victory in any attack upon the West; and reinforcements from the large number of divisions in the Soviet Union itself would almost certainly "telegraph the punch."

In other words, given normally alert Allied forces, the Soviets had lost the advantage of surprise.—Reuter.

Two MPs Resign

London, Jan. 12. Two Members of Parliament, a Socialist and a Conservative, today announced they would resign their House of Commons seats leaving vacancies which will be fought for at by-elections.

The Labour member, Mr. Sidney Schofield, has been MP for Barnsley, Yorkshire, since 1951.

The Conservative, Mr. John Baker White, has been Member for Canterbury since 1945.

Both seats are considered safe for the parties which held them. At the last general election, Mr. Schofield's majority was 14,089. Mr. Baker White's was 14,089.

Canterbury Conservatives have already adopted a candidate—Mr. Leslie Thomas, son of Mr. J. H. Thomas, who was a famous Labour Cabinet Minister before the last war.—Reuter.

Third Try In A Year

Paris, Jan. 12. Britain, France and the United States today delivered notes in Moscow inviting the Soviet Government to reopen talks for the conclusion of a State treaty with Austria. It was announced here.

This is the third time in a year that the three Western powers have tried to get Russia to the conference table to complete a treaty for Austria.

Negotiations for a treaty began in 1947. The four Deputy Foreign Ministers charged with the negotiations had had more than 250 meetings by the end of 1951 when they reached a deadlock.—Reuter.

WEATHER TAKES ITS TOLL

London, Jan. 12. Fog and ice today caused trouble to land, sea and air traffic from France to the coast of Japan. North America counted at least 40 dead on the fourth day of a blizzard.

Reuter despatches gave this picture:

New York: Clearing skies over most of the United States indicated a relief from the snow, ice and sleet storms, but bad weather is known to have added four deaths to yesterday's total of 36.

Millions of dollars' worth of property has been damaged.

Paris: Fog and ice brought air transport to a standstill today and delayed motor traffic.

No aircraft arrived at either Orly or Le Bourget airports this morning because of the dense fog.

Oslo: All airfields in South Norway were closed to traffic today owing to fog which covered the whole south coast and Oslofjord.

Tokyo: The 886-ton Japanese ship Kyodo Maru No. 5 ran aground in thick fog early today off the coast of Wakayama Prefecture, Central Japan.

A patrol boat was sent to the ship which was carrying 1,000 tons of steel and glass from Southern Japan to Shikoku, near Tokyo.—Reuter.

AGREEMENT ON DEPORTATION

Manila, Jan. 12. The deportation to Formosa of ten Chinese nationals who were recently convicted by the Deportation Board for various crimes here, has been agreed upon between the Philippine and Chinese Nationalist governments.

The ten Chinese nationals would be deported as soon as the papers of the Philippine Air Force and Military Intelligence men, assigned to transport them to Formosa, are in order, a Defence Department spokesman said.—Reuter.

Chinese Unhappy Over Pact With Russia: Terms Not Fully Met

Tokyo, Jan. 13. Many important people in Communist China are unhappy about the way the 1950 Russian-Chinese agreement was worked out, according to reliable reports reaching here.

Under the terms of that agreement, signed in Moscow on February 14, 1950, Russia agreed to get out of Port Arthur and turn the important Changchun Railway over to China by the end of 1952.

In September of 1952, the Russians announced from Moscow that they and the Chinese Communists had agreed to prolong Russia's lease on Port Arthur. The lease is to last until the two countries sign peace treaties with Japan. No treaties are in sight.

So, for an indefinite period, the Chinese will have as their guests the Russian military forces. These forces not only will occupy a very strategic Chinese port but also will be passing back and forth across China at will.

U.N. Stops Hiring Of Americans

United Nations, Jan. 12. The Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr. Trygve Lie, met with representatives of the United States Government today and agreed to suspend the United Nations hiring of Americans until a new system of loyalty checks is put into effect.

Five Americans representing the Civil Service, the State Department and the United Nations Mission to the United States, met for an hour with Mr. Lie and several advisers in the Secretary-General's private conference room.

It was announced that further steps to implement President Truman's order calling for loyalty checks of all Americans employed or considered for employment here would be decided on the "administrative level."

This was taken to mean that the Civil Service and FBI authorities would deal directly with the United Nations Personnel Department.

President Truman issued the order last Friday and it was delivered on the same day to Mr. Lie with a request from the United States Mission that "appointment action be withheld on any pending appointments of United States citizens."

It is understood that there are at least 108 United States citizens and that the United Nations are awaiting Government comment on some 50 of them.—United Press.

TO BLOCK ESCAPES

Berlin, Jan. 12. East Germany tonight warned that she intends to block the escape route to the non-Communist West leading through Berlin.

The official East German News Agency, ADN, said that fresh measures would be taken around the borders of West Berlin.

The Communist Agency said the purpose was "to protect the East German population from terrorists."

The Agency gave no further details, but West Berlin city officials said the announcement might portend establishment of a "no-man's land" around West Berlin, similar to the strip of land cleared between West and East Germany.

At the same time, political refugees here reported that police guards are keeping day and night watch around the East German borders of Communist Germany due to be screened under the beginning of the purge.

The guards are to prevent suspects from fleeing westwards based on the fact that "the lightning from the East has not yet struck." The Kremlin was preparing for a long struggle aimed at world domination.

The German public has taken little notice of commitment to East Germany or of the fact that the Polish and Czech armies too had been equipped with the most modern Soviet arms.

"Europe stands balanced on the knife's edge," Dr. Adenauer declared.—Reuter.

Gasper! Back Home

Rome, Jan. 12. The Italian Premier and Foreign Minister, Alcide De Gasperi, returned to Rome today from an official visit to Greece.—Reuter.

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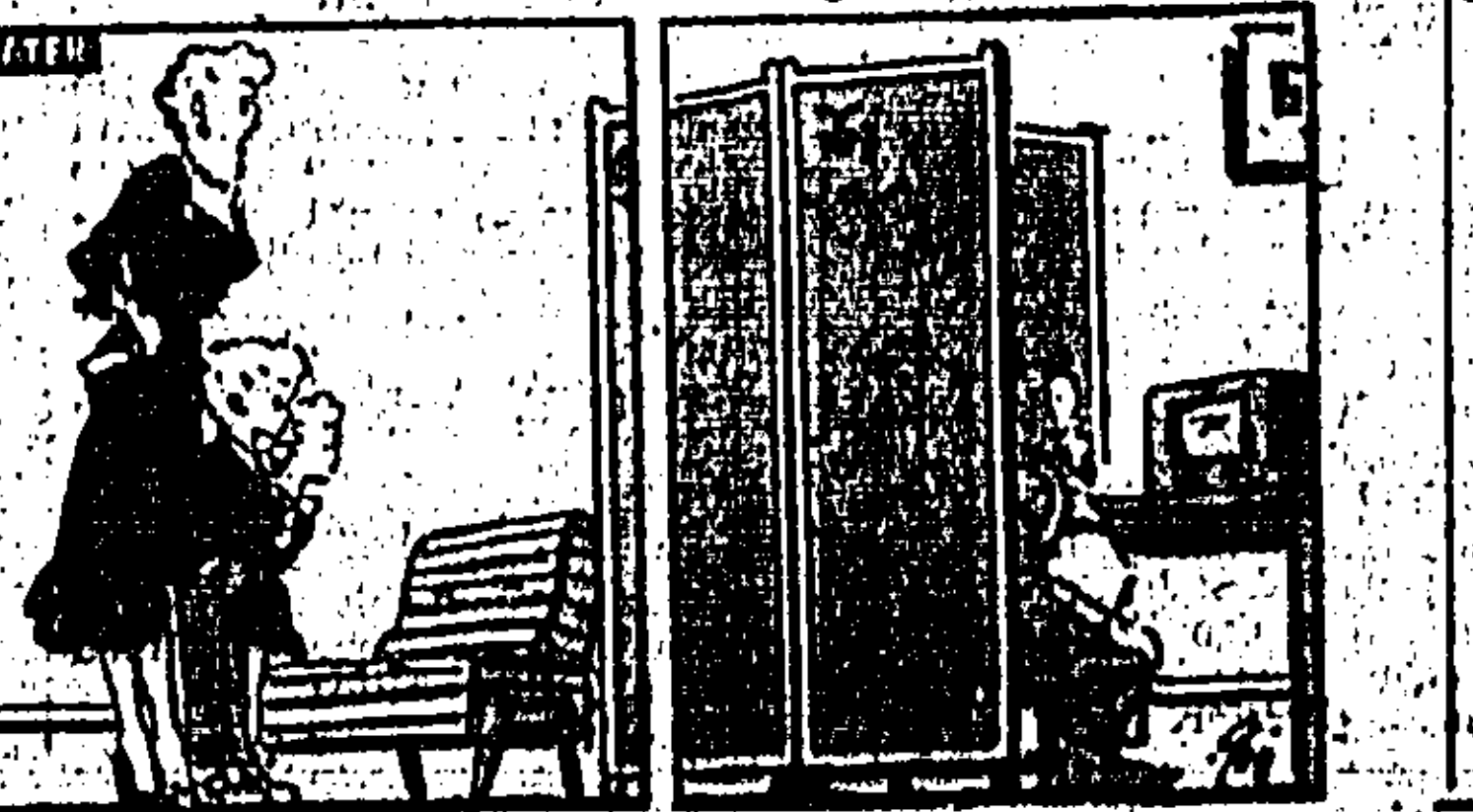
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Dulles Expected To Tour Asian Countries

Washington, Jan. 12.

Mr John Foster Dulles, architect of the Japanese peace treaty and General Eisenhower's choice for the post of Secretary of State, is expected to make an extended tour of Pakistan, India and other Asiatic countries.

He will do so at the end of the North Atlantic Treaty meeting which is due to take place in Europe at the end of March or the beginning of April.

Informed circles said that Mr Dulles was expected to go directly to Tokyo, once the European meeting was over. Until then, these circles added, the new Secretary of State was expected to devote his time to a detailed study of the European situation, especially military, economic and political policy.

The main purpose of Mr Dulles' trip to Asia, these circles stated, would be:

(1) To examine what sort of help the United States might expect from Pakistan and India in the building up of a strong defensive system against Communism;

(2) To find out to what extent the now existing Pacific military alliances can be extended to other countries in Asia and the Far East, thus eventually enabling the United States and other interested countries to map out a sort of Pacific organization similar to the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation.

Mr Dulles, himself, in an article published a year ago in the influential magazine, "Foreign Affairs," gave a number of reasons "why it was not at this time practicable to draw a line which would bring all the peoples of the Pacific and East Asia into a formal mutual security area."

VITAL IMPORTANCE

The new Secretary of State will decide after his return from his Asian trip if the time is ripe to consider this limited concept of an adequate security system in the Pacific area.

The attitude of India and Pakistan towards the efforts made by Mr Dulles to achieve greater unity and greater strength in Asia will be of vital importance as these two countries may affect the attitude of Burma and Siam.

It will also probably be decided what sort of economic help both India and Pakistan may expect from the Republican Administration in the future.

It is generally expected here that India will be less co-operative than Pakistan towards the fulfilment of the new American policy now being shaped, and that New Delhi will probably remain adamant on such important issues as the common attitude towards Communist China.

According to general opinion here, however, Mr Dulles' tour

Germans To See The Comet

London, Jan. 12.

The De Havilland Comet—the world's first jet airliner—is to make a demonstration tour of Germany during the next few months.

The Comet will show off its paces to technicians and executives of a company which has been asked to give the way for Germany to re-enter the air transport field, when the political situation in central Europe permits a revival of the pre-war German Luftwaffe.

Starting from scratch the proposed new German air corporation will be a valuable prize for aircraft firms which secure orders for its equipment of aircraft and spares.

Britain is going all out to capture that market. Last Autumn, Viscount Selkirk, the British Ambassador in Bonn, visited Germany and now the Comet is to undertake a similar round of demonstrations.

The Comet may make a non-stop flight from Cologne to Malta and back—Reuter.

Meet Space Traveller



Sir William Penney, the brain behind Britain's atomic weapon, introduces his sons Christopher, 11, and Martin, 14, to some of the wonders of modern science and engineering at the Schoolboys' Exhibition in the New Horticultural Hall, Westminster. Here they meet a man in a space suit as they enter the "space ship."—Reuterphoto.

Washington Signs New Aid Terms With Indonesia

Washington, Jan. 12.

The United States today announced the conclusion of a new agreement with Indonesia providing for economic and technical aid to that country.

The agreement was announced by the State Department which said that the way was at present being cleared for discussions between the two Governments as to the size and content of the aid programme for the fiscal year 1953—a year which ends next June 30.

"Economic" War In Indo-China

Paris, Jan. 12.

Thirty-two French Bearcat fighters today destroyed an important hydroelectric installation in territory held by Vietnamese forces north of Hanoi, a French Press Agency despatch said tonight.

The attack was part of the French Air Force's "economic" war designed to disrupt the rebel rice harvest, which depends on artificial irrigation during the dry season.

Four-engine Privateer bombers recently attacked a big irrigation dam near the installation which was blasted today—Reuter.

Indo-Pakistani Relations

Karachi, Jan. 12.

Yusuf A. Haroon, vice-president of the Pakistan Muslim League—the party in power—said in an interview today that war between India and Pakistan over Kashmir issue now appeared a close possibility.

Mr Haroon recently relinquished his job as High Commissioner in Australia and took up the vice-presidency of the League, of which Premier Nazimuddin is president.

He added: "I must warn people that Pakistan will never forgive their present leaders if they wait too long for a settlement of the Kashmir issue."

Premier Nazimuddin is today up North in Lahore City with a Cabinet colleague for high level talks on representations felt in Pakistan over the stoppage of the canal waters of the Punjab rivers originating in Kashmir—Associated Press.

African Federation Plan Under Fire

London, Jan. 12.

The scheme for the federation of Northern Rhodesia, Southern Rhodesia and Nyasaland in its present form and scope was subjected to some criticism by two British papers today.

The Manchester Guardian (Liberal) declared: "Even if Africans were not so widely opposed, as they appear to be, to the scheme as it stands, it would still be right to reject it, because it does not make adequate provision for the maintenance of the trust."

the way to overcome African fears of undue white domination. If the two Rhodesias and Nyasaland are federated, that is what has been going on in London, which Africans have boycotted.

"Federation offers advantages, but not if it is rammed through against the hostility of the Africans."

We warn the Government again that they are playing with dynamite and the dynamite may be irretrievable—Reuter.

U.S. POPULATION INCREASING TOO RAPIDLY

Economic Planners Are Worried

Washington, Jan. 12.

The large increase in population in the United States of 3,000,000 persons a year is causing serious concern among long-range economic planners.

Experts here believe that the population will build an expanding economy and that the manpower resources will provide for continued military strength.

But they are urging immediate action to ensure that the United States will be able to feed its huge future population.

Latest statistics put the present population of the United States at nearly 160,000,000—and it is officially estimated that 1952 has produced an unprecedented baby "boom" of almost 4,000,000 new Americans.

Planning authorities say they are worried by the major problem of how to make the nation self-sufficient in 25 years' time, when authoritative estimates indicate that the population will have reached 190,000,000, as it is today.

The Bureau of Census in Washington has built a spectacular machine with flashing, multi-coloured lights and buzzers, which registers population like a giant speedometer and vividly demonstrates the rate at which the number of people in the United States is increasing.

A light shows every nine seconds, registering a birth. Another light every two minutes means that an immigrant has entered the country.

Every 13 seconds a light flashes and a buzzer sounds for the time in which the United States has made the net gain of one citizen.

TWICE AS FAST

Recent analysis of the last census showed that the population increased twice as fast in the five years before 1950 as it did in the same years a decade earlier. Births in 1950 averaged more than 24 per 1,000 population.

Population experts, who believed that the post-war increase would end quickly, say that it has gained impetus since the outbreak of war in Korea. Experts have still not decided whether the present "baby boom" is a temporary phenomenon or a permanent swing back to larger families.

Dr Konrad Taeubert, Assistant Director of the Bureau of Census, and leading economist and statistician, says: "There will almost certainly be a slip in the future, reflecting the drop in births in the depression years of the '30's, but it is not a sight yet."

"Today's birthrate reflects high employment and income levels. People are marrying earlier and wives bear the first child sooner. Family decisions about having a second and third child have become less difficult to reverse."

EFFECT ON DEFENCE

Military authorities, filling draft quotas for overseas forces, say that the United States will be in a slender defence position in the future, after they have surveyed the estimates that there will be more than 1,000,000 young men of military age in 1960 than there are now.

Only economic and agricultural experts are gloomy. They say that a population of 190,000,000 in 1950 will mean a fifth part to be filled at every American dinner table, three times a day, 365 days a year.

This means, they add, that the annual production of 22,000 million lbs. of meat will have to be increased to 27,500 million lbs. if people are to eat as much meat as they do now. For that 10,000,000 more cattle and calves, 20,000,000 more pigs, and over 3,000,000 more sheep and lambs will have to be slaughtered every year.

Milk production will have to rise by 30,000 million lbs. a year to give everyone a quart a day as at present while the 60,000 million eggs which now give the average person 395 a year will have to become 74,700 million by 1975.

On the other side of the balance sheet, economic planners say that the United States is today producing at record agricultural levels. Without greatly boosting future levels,

the nation will have either to lose export markets or rely much more on overseas imports.

They are urging federal action to meet the situation, maintaining that agricultural must be supported by increased research. In addition, they conclude, there must be balanced conservation control, expansion of fertilizer capacity, farm machinery and electrical power improvements, and adequate credits and farm prices.—Reuter.

Narcotic Drugs Warning

Geneva, Jan. 12.

The Central Opium Board, a permanent body controlling international distribution of drugs, today warned world governments of the dangers of putting more narcotic drugs on the legal market.

It called for greater vigilance on the part of national and international bodies controlling the drugs.

A report on the world drug situation in 1951 to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations published here today warned that three points invite general concern.

1. Vagueness of statistics from the principal opium-producing countries—India, Turkey, Persia, the Soviet Union and Yugoslavia.

2. The increase in the number of narcotic drugs, which had almost doubled in the past five years.

3. The impossibility of determining legal production of coca leaves used in the manufacture of cocaine.

The Board said it had been assured by India that future statistics would be free from "statistical blemishes."

LEAKAGES IN ITALY

The Board hoped that the strengthening of control of drugs in Italy would prevent "leakages" into the illicit market.

The report added that a number of drug traffickers had been arrested and narcotics seized after the Italian Government had revealed the extent of illegal drug trade in Trieste.

The report said confiscations of illegally imported drugs in 1951 included:

Indian hemp resin (Hashish or Marijuana): United States 2,200 lbs, Turkey 251 lbs, Tunisia 271 lbs, Jordan 378 lbs.

Heroin: Turkey 67 lbs, Hongkong 24 lbs, Japan 15 lbs, United States 13 lbs.

Cocaine: United States 2 lbs, Ray opium: Thailand 20,592 lbs, Singapore 7,250 lbs, France 777 lbs, United States 10 lbs, Netherlands 132 lbs, the United Kingdom 20 lbs.

Indian hemp (used for the manufacture of Hashish): Morocco (French zone) 33,180 lbs, Egypt 29,720 lbs, the United Kingdom 105 lbs, South Africa 13 lbs.

The authorities also confiscated about 1,018 lbs of raw opium illegally exported from India.—Reuter.

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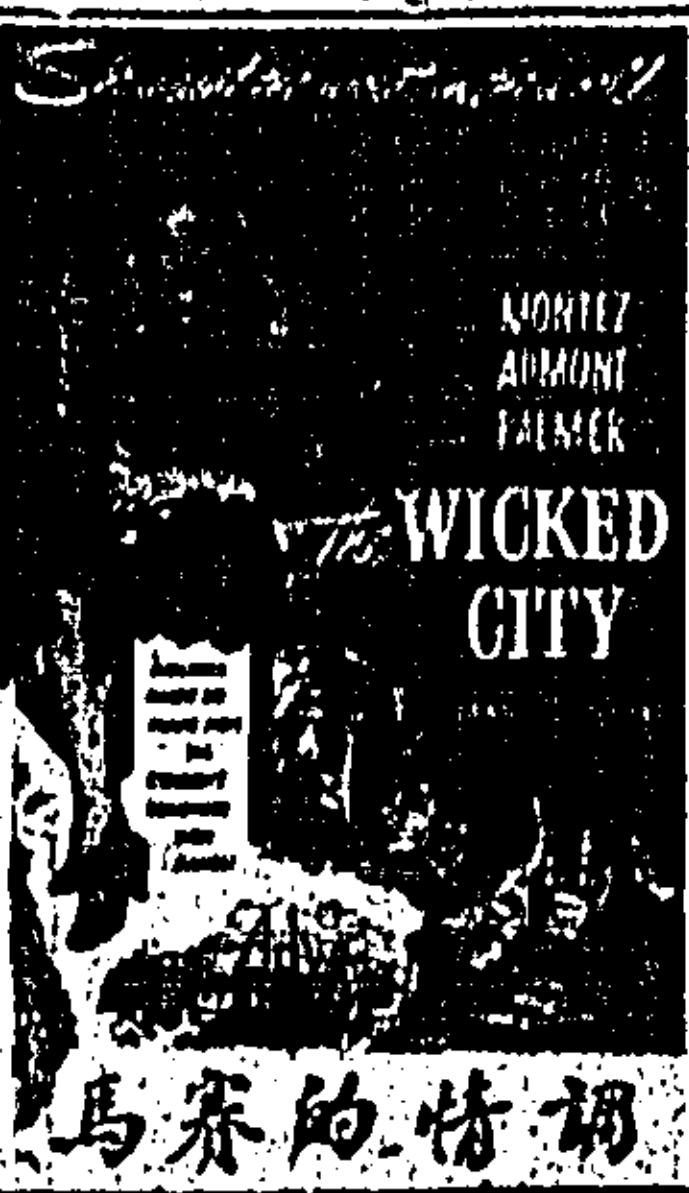
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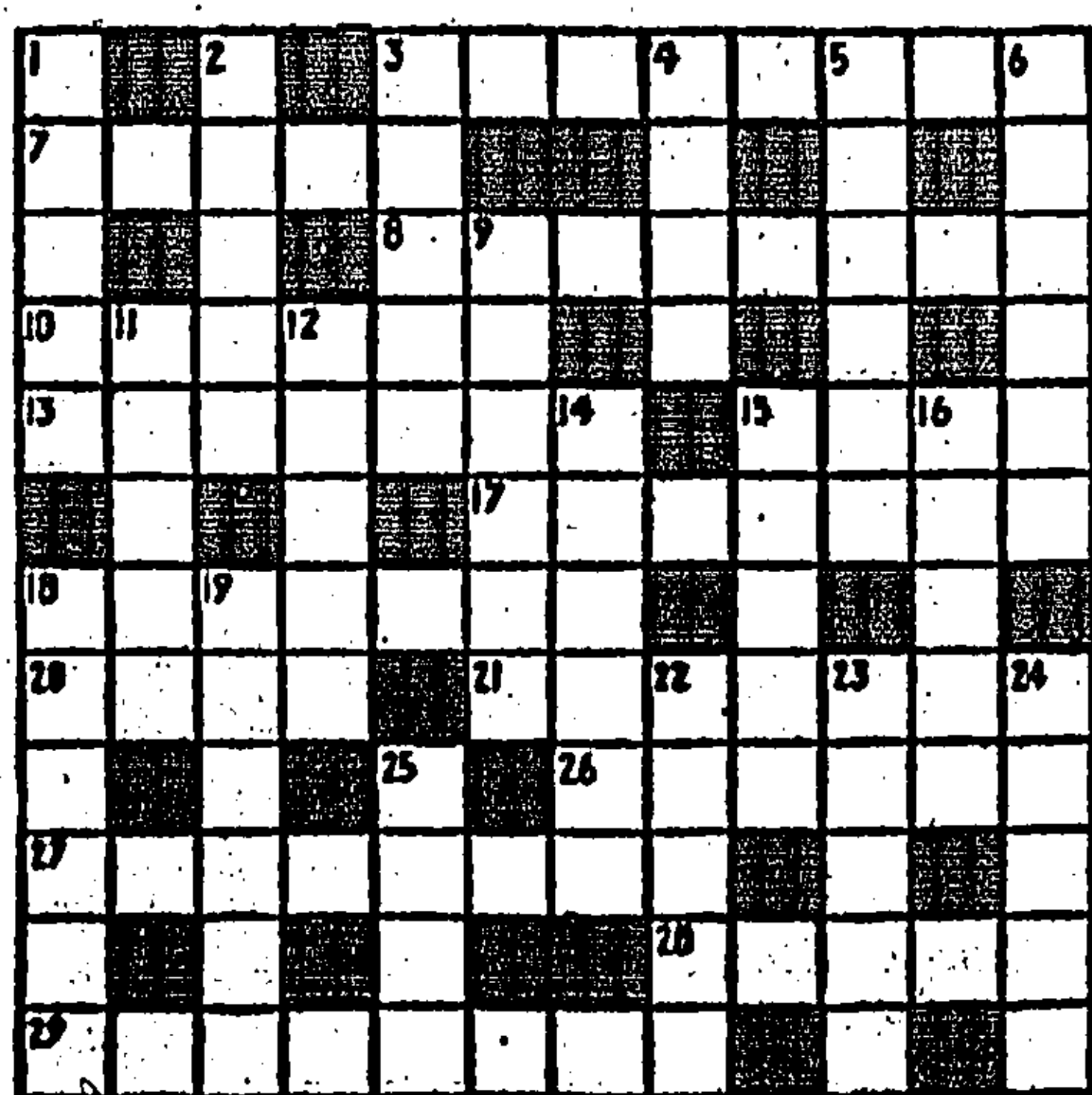


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A British Crossword Puzzle



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3. Equil affectedly (8).
 7. Rascal (6).
 9. Tella (8).
 10. Indiscreetly (6).
 13. Guided (7).
 15. Absence (4).
 17. Snuggled (7).
 18. Protects (7).
 20. Part of the eye (4).
 21. Grave (7).
 22. Unconsidered statement (6).
 27. Medium (6).
 28. Asthma (6).
 29. Pieces of furniture (8).
- DOWN
1. Ignorant (5).
 2. Spaniard (6).
 4. Wine (4).
 5. Sell (6).
 6. Scourged (6).
 8. Reparation (6).
 11. Atmosphere (6).
 12. Valley (5).
 14. Wilderness (6).
 16. Denude (5).
 18. Repeat (5).
 19. Violin (6).
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 25. Limbs (4).

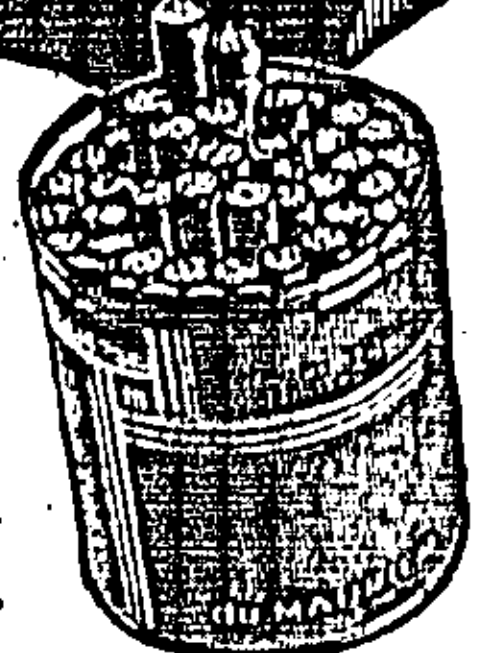
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LONDON IS GAY IN CORONATION YEAR

By Peter Chambers

London. Just under six months from now, Queen Elizabeth II will be crowned at Westminster Abbey. The date is Tuesday, June 2. On that day, London will be packed with more visitors than ever before in her history. They will have come to see the most glorious pageant in the modern world.

How is London looking these grey wintry days, six months before the event? Well, you can walk round the seven-mile procession route and—apart from the stands already erected along the Mall—you will not see many signs of preparation for June 2. The Coronation looks as if it has been temporarily submerged in the festive scurry. Which only goes to show how deceptive appearances can be, because behind the scenes there is an enormous amount of work being done on this \$700,000 celebration.

ACCOMMODATION

WHERE are you going to put everybody, for a start? That is a question Sir Alexander Maxwell, British holiday and travel chief, would like to hear the answer to. Hotels in central London were booked out months ago. You cannot hire a bed-room in a bathroom. Now, Sir Alexander is trying to accommodate the overspill of our quarter-million Coronation visitors "within one-and-a-half-hour's travel from London." Some of them will be staying as far away as Brighton.

Eight liners will be moored in the Thames as floating hotels.

They are bringing 5,000 visitors to England on "Coronation cruises."

And the crowds!

About a million people will line the procession route. One quarter of them will have seats. The best and cheapest seats are the 100,000 put up by the Ministry of Works, to be sold at 2s (covered) and 2s 4d (uncovered). Commonwealth visitors will take a third of these, and the rest will be allocated to local authorities and national organisations throughout Britain.

PREPARATIONS

THE price of a seat at the "Coronation" is £10-£30. (An interesting note on the rise in the cost of living here: at Edward II's Coronation in 1307, a seat cost one farthing.)

London's famous clubs, concentrated in St James's, Pall Mall and Piccadilly, are excellently placed for a Coronation view. They have resisted big offers from the agencies and are letting their seats to members and guests for between £10 and £20, including catering.

Something like one-fifth of the population of Britain will be watching the Coronation on TV. There are 2,500,000 sets in the country today, compared with only 10,000 at the time of King George VI's Coronation.

Jean d'Arcy, Paris TV chief, met BBC engineers in London recently to fix a cross-channel television of the Coronation through a relay station at Lille. It will be ironic, indeed, if the Parisians can comfortably watch the Coronation on TV while, for example, Aberdeen is left quite out of the picture!

These are London's overt and public preparations for the great day. What of the people?

All over London, street committees, began months ago to collect money for their own Coronation celebrations. Every conjurer, Punch and Judy show and ventriloquist in town has been booked up for the children's Coronation parties.

In the borough of Fulham alone (population—a hundred-thousand), over sixty street parties are planned. Traders and borough councillors are chipping in with donations.

Stepney Council are giving a fortnight's holiday by the seaside to 2,000 children, and the parents of every child born on Coronation Day will receive a gift of 2s.

Lewisham will give parties for the aged and the sick; Brentford and Chiswick are having bonfires and fireworks on the Thames-side.

The borough of Hammermith is spending £8,000 on street parties. Traders in Lambeth have launched a £1,000 fund to buy seats at the Coronation procession for 250 war orphans.

EAST END

NOWHERE in Britain will the Coronation be more joyously celebrated than in London's East End. East Enders do love a party. The main streets of Stepney, Bethnal Green and Whitechapel will be gay with flags and streamers, the "old joanna" (piano) will be brought out on to the pavement, and dad and his "trouble-and- strife" will dance and sing and drink bottles of stout while the kiddies delve into their Coronation souvenir mugs for their bonus sweet ration.

All down these back streets the trestle tables will be set out with white cloths, ice cream, jelly, cakes, crackers and paper hats for the children's

parties. Many of the victuals will be free gifts from local shopkeepers.

And what noise and gaiety there will be—with the tooting of toy trumpets, the blowing of blowers, the wheezing of accordions, the paper-comb bands and that tinkling old upright piano. Arm in arm, the pearly kings and queens (monarchs in their own little territory) will glide and jostle through "The Lambeth Walk," "Knees Up, Mother Brown," and "Ballin' the Jack."

The Coronation is a solemn and consecrated act. It is also the most glorious pageant and the most joyful celebration in the modern world. We shall put out the flags. We shall cheer. We shall drink her health and cry, "Long Live the Queen!"

AMBASSADOR'S WIFE

By MONICA DICKENS

SAILING for New York in the Queen Mary with Mr Churchill were Sir Roger Makins, the new British Ambassador to Washington, and his wife, wearing one of the new suits she had bought to keep her end up with well-dressed Washington society.

In all the excitement and turmoil of packing up and leaving England for no one knows how many years, the only thing that was worrying Lady Makins was whether there would be a New Year's Eve party at sea, as it was the first night out. It was her first New Year's Eve at sea. For the moment it meant more to her than the fact that she was the wife of the most important Englishman in the United States.

Lady Makins is the sort of woman whom you classify as unspoilt. She bears no resemblance to the stock Embassy Wife—that stilted, cynical personage whom you sometimes meet in diplomatic establishments. She smiles quickly, is high-spirited and without sophistication. Her favourite expression is: "I like to live from day to day."

Perfect Copy

An American woman meeting her for the first time would set her down as English: her voice is English, and so is her figure (the word for that would be "reedy" I think). But in fact, Lady Makins is American.

She was born in St Louis, Missouri, about 40 years ago. She came to Washington with her politician father. She was a debutante there, going to all the parties, and it was at a party in 1933 that she met and fell in love with young Roger Makins, then a junior member of the British Embassy staff.

When he returned to England and a job at the Foreign Office, she followed him, married him here, and became not only an English wife, but a perfect copy of an Englishwoman as well.

For the last four years, she has been living in a small Hampshire village, in a red brick house—a mixture of Tudor, William and Mary plus a modern wing added on to accommodate a lot of children.

The Makins have a family of six, ranging from twin girls of 17½ to a boy of two. The Washington job will break up the family, for the twins have to stay here to be presented in Coronation year, and 10-year-old Christopher must stay at his preparatory school in Kent, until he goes to Winchester like his father.

POCKET CARTOON
by OSBERT LANCASTER



"NOW will you admit I can still do an old-fashioned carry!"

The Eisenhower
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From
Newell Rogers

New York. THE bubble and glitter—bubble of champagne and glitter of gold—is back in America on the crest of the great Eisenhower boom. Oh, to be a debutante in these days of dazzling parties in the great ballrooms of Park Avenue!

Ah, to be a movie star queening it at Hollywood night club parties given by Texas oil millionaires!

America has seen nothing like it since the jazz age of the Twenties.

Rich men rejoicing in the Eisenhower era are opening their cheque books as they have not done for 30 years.

The dollar greenback light has gone on.

Tiaras and courtliness are the style. And while it is the colour—white ties for men, white mink and ermine wraps for women, white gown to go with the diamond and rhinestone tiaras and bracelets and necklaces.

There were £700,000 worth of diamonds and other jewels at a recent party in Hollywood's Mocambo night club. They were on the heads and necks and arms of women like ex-Queen Nefiti of Egypt, tobacco heiress Doris Duke (squired by musician Joe Castro), Joan Crawford (with Cesar Romero) and Lana Turner (with Lex Barker).

They glittered on hairdos and gowns of Dorothy Lamour (with her husband, Bill Howard), Greer Garson (with her husband, Texas millionaire Buddy Ebsen), and Marion Davies (with her husband, Captain Horace Brown).

Five private detectives guarded them. The host was millionaire Texan, Tevis F. Morrow. He bought out the Mocambo for his 400 guests. It cost him over £10,000.

For his money, champagne flowed like Texas oil.

For guests ate green turtle soup au sherry, crabmeat Madras, broiled tenderloin of beef, potato Duchesse, bouqueterie of vegetables, ice cream marrons, and drank fine wines and imported liquors. Two orchestras took turns playing for dances. Twelve times they played "The Eyes of Texas." Paris singer Edith Piaf starred in a floor show. The favours were ten-gallon Texas cowboy hats.

In New York, stately debutante balls—enormous balls—begin near midnight. In the grand ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria, Amory L. Haskell gave a coming out party for his debutante daughter Hope. It was a circus party. In the foyer a mechanical clown furiously played a toy pipe organ. A painted wagon was filled with wooden clowns boating drums. Cloth lions glared from cages. Two-Ten Tassie waved a fat hand from the sidewalk.

On the same night at the St Regis roof, movie tycoon Jack L. Warner gave another party for his debutante daughter Barbara. Six specially trained parrots greeted some women guests by squawking their first names.

The Duke and Duchess of Windsor were the guests of film magnate Jack L. Warner. Movie stars were a dime a dozen. Mrs. Beatrice Eden, ex-wife of Anthony Eden, was there.

Sherman Douglas, ex-ambassador, Lewis Douglas's daughter, lost a diamond pin.

Stars of the floor show were Judy Garland, Mary Hoadley, Peter Lind Hayes, Bruno McNeil. Yes, it's socially safe to spend and splurge again.

POCKET CARTOON
by OSBERT LANCASTER



"You mustn't mind Mr. Krackenbaker—he's just crazy about local colour!"

Master crooks with a timetable mind

PERCY HOSKINS concludes his
close-up of the changing face of crime

ONE startling thing emerges from a study of the Crime Sheet for 1952: It is that the growth of the Menace of the Cosh has not eradicated the old and still valid Menace of the Master Mind.

The advent of the cosh does not necessarily mean a switch from the "intelligent" criminal approach to the policy of all-out brutality.

The "planners," like the men who devised last year's £280,000 mail robbery, are still around ready to match wits with Scotland Yard if the bait is tempting enough.

There is nothing haphazard about the way they go into action.

Their projects often involve months of observation work, constant rehearsals, accurate timing, and often a certain amount of inside help.

No one has to this day discovered who disconnected the alarm bell of the Euston mail van before it set out on its adventurous and costly journey.

Shops on wheels!

WHILE the cosh man is recruited from the ranks of the crude, inexperienced, and unintelligent crime operators, the clever crook is always planning his activities with a view to reducing risks.

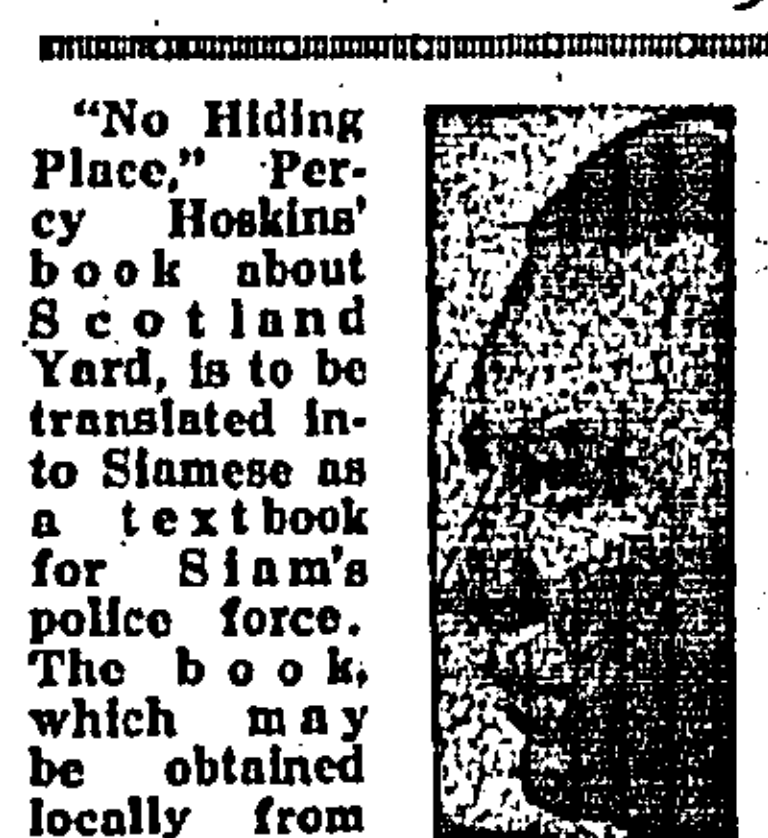
That is one reason why he does so well from the railways.

The rail losses for 1951 amounted to over £2,000,000, and the 1952 figures did not show any great improvement.

I asked a senior member of the railway police why his organisation had not been able to effect a reduction in this black total of theft in transit.

This was his explanation. "Take a reasonably sized city. FIRST, imagine that the doors of all the shops and warehouses are left on the latch."

"SECOND, that they are all fitted with wheels and spend a



"No Hiding Place," Percy Hoskins' book about Scotland Yard, is to be translated into Slavonic as a textbook for the South China Morning Post offices, was produced in co-operation with the Yard and has been recommended by the International Criminal Police Review.

good deal of their time careering round the country;

"THIRD, that many of them are parked for hours at a time in fields alongside the roads and separated from them by an easily climbable fence;

"FOURTH, that the owners are never quite sure what they have in their shops and warehouses, and frequently come along two or three weeks after the event to tell you something has been stolen, but they are not sure either when or where."

"All this may seem quite fantastic, but it is a fair picture of what happens on the railways."

"We argue that if a thief was working a month ago he is probably working today. By analysing the complaints, and claims for the past month, we can pinpoint the probable place of theft, and can expect a measure of success."

"But just imagine trying to analyse the 800,000 complaints we get each year!"

So the railway crook, and the brain behind him, finds that the multiplicity of traffic regulations lies his best protection.

And so too the "fence" who are prepared to receive stolen

property from cars and their best protection is the number of cars left unprotected.

Shoppers—particularly women—pile up their purchases on the rear seat of parked cars and disappear on other missions.

Every day in every city hundreds of cars are looted. Most of them have something of value clearly visible on the back seat.

In London alone in 1951 articles valued at £280,700 were stolen from unattended vehicles. Only £28,700 worth was recovered.

More patrols

ONLY one effective obstacle which can be put in the path of this and every other form of crime is known.

We must have more men back on street patrol. The local policeman, with his fund of knowledge about the families who live on his beat, must be restored to our system of life.

In 1882 Sir Richard Mayne, a former Metropolitan Police commissioner, laid down this regulation in the police code:—

"The primary object of an efficient police is the prevention of crime; the next that of detection and punishment of offenders if crime is committed."

"To these ends all the efforts of the police must be directed. The protection of life and property, the preservation of public tranquillity, and the absence of crime will alone prove whether those efforts have been successful and whether the objects for which the police have been appointed have been attained."

Today—100 years later—we may justifiably ask: "How far off is attainment?"

For all of us

THE question is not academic. It concerns every one of us today in this New Year which may be a new record year for crime.

The length of the criminal's arm is governed by the strength of the public's guard.

Badminton League

Narrow Victories For The Favourites In Senior Division Matches

By "ARGONAUT"

Two thrilling Men's "A" Division matches were played off yesterday as the Colony Badminton League got into full swing again after the holiday break.

Both Chinese YMCA, the holders, and University, this year's leading contenders, scored their second straight wins, but not without some anxious moments in the process.

Chinese YMCA, who were without two of their regular players, W. F. Foo and D. C. Lau, were extremely lucky to get off with a 5-4 victory over a vastly improved Recreo.

Trailing by one set to three and later by three sets to four, the odds were still against them even when the score was tied at 4-4 and the deciding game due to be played off.

After their brilliant triumph over the Y's first pair of R.

Young and C. Y. Yung, Recreo's up and coming F. Rozario and A. J. Souza were expected to clinch the deciding set from the Y's second pairing of P. H. Wong and W. C. Chung.

Rozario and Souza confirmed Recreo's expectation by taking an early 6-2 and 10-5 lead but, striking brilliant form, veteran P. H. Wong turned the tide with devastating smashes and given able support by W. C. Chung, caught up to 7-11. On their next two services the Y pair forged ahead to 13-11.

Lack of a good service from both Souza and Rozario was apparent at this stage as time and again they were forced on the defense on their service, which was either too highly driven or directed straight to their opponent.

A belated effort took them to 15-10 and 10-7, but the Y pair came back with an all-out attack to clinch the next four points for set and match.

At Craigengower, University just managed to edge out the Valley Club by five sets to four. In a postponed Men's "C" Division match at Kowloon Tong, Chinese YMCA fell further back in the race for the Division's League honours when they sustained their second defeat of the season in losing to the Kowloon Tong Club by four sets to five.

Largely contributing to Kowloon Tong's victory was the fine performance of Dr. H. F. Tai, who won both his singles games, and that of K. F. Lam, whose win in the third singles paved the way to the deciding set triumph by their doubles combination of Jimmy Poon and William Mui over Wong Yan and C. K. Wong.

TODAY'S MATCH

One crucial Men's "C" Division match will be played off this evening at the Craigengower hall, that between Tytlan, who are the only unbeaten team in this Division so far, and second ranking Craigengower Cricket Club. A win for the Tytlan boys will practically assure them the title.

In their last encounter Tytlan emerged winners by 5-4, and are expected to improve on this margin in tonight's game.

Craigengower will be without their stalwart, P. V. Yap, who has an injured hand, and with their two singles representatives, U. Sei Lip and Kow Wai-bong, in top shape right now, Tytlan should clinch the four major singles sets, in addition to at least two doubles games, with the third singles being Buddy Arculli and L. Sousa likely to go to the Tytlan boys.

THE RESULTS

Men's "A" Division

Recreo 4-CYMCA 5
Singles: F. Rozario (Recreo) lost to R. Young 9-15, beat M. T. Lam 15-3; A. J. Souza (Recreo) lost to Young 13-15, beat Lam 15-10; J. A. Soares (Recreo) beat W. C. Chung 17-14.

Doubles: A. J. Souza and F. Rozario (Recreo) beat R. Young and C. Y. Yung 21-9, lost to P. H. Wong and W. C. Chung 16-21; J. A. Soares and H. F. Gonzales (Recreo) lost to Young and Yung 20-23, lost to Wong and Chung 13-21.

MEN'S "C" DIVISION

K. TONG 5-CYMCA 4

Singles: H. F. Tai (KL Tong) beat K. H. Lo 15-6, beat R. Hsu 15-1; Fred Chan (KL Tong) lost to Lo 12-15, lost to Hsu 7-15; K. P. Lam (KL Tong) beat R. C. Wong 15-8.

Doubles: Jimmy Poon and William Mui (KL Tong) beat Wong Yan and C. K. Wong 21-10, lost to K. H. Lo and C. Y. San 16-21; K. S. Lam and K. W. Leung (KL Tong) beat Wong Yan and Wong 21-10, lost to Lo and San 16-21.

HOW THEY STAND

Men's "A" Division

Team	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
University	2	2	0	11	7	4
CYMCA	2	2	0	10	8	4
Craigengower	2	0	2	8	10	0
Recreo	2	0	2	7	11	0

TODAY'S GAME

Men's "C" Division

CCC v Tytlan



Junior Tourney Final At Fanling On Sunday

R. D. Bell beat W.L.T. Crundall 4 up and 3 to play in the semi-final of the Junior Championship and will play J. L. Macintyre in the final over 30 holes at Fanling on Sunday.

The following are the results of matches played in the second round of the Captain's Cup (1952).

N. E. Arthy beat F. D. Hunter 2 up; T.G.C. Knight lost to A.B. Coleman 3/2; A.V. White beat W.D. Leighton 2/1; and S. S. Gordon lost to R.R. Coombs 1 up.

Semi-final matches, due to be played by January 25 are as follows:

N. E. Arthy vs A. B. Coleman; and A.V. White vs R.R. Coombs.

J. E. Richardson won the Bogey competition on the New Course during the week-end, with the excellent score of five up against Bogey. J. R. Leitch and J. Hackney were joint runners-up with 2 up.

G. C. Gateley was the winner with a card showing four up, H. C. Baker occupying second place with 2 up against Bogey.

Messrs S. S. Gordon and R.R. Coombs won the Shanghai Foursomes against Bogey played on the New Course on Sunday afternoon with a return of three up. The best net scores handed in during the weekend were the following:

J. E. Richardson 79-18 = 61; J. R. Leitch 81-16 = 65; J. Hackney 84-18 = 68; H. C. Baker 85-18 = 67; G. C. Gateley 90-22 = 68; D. L. Anderson 78-7 = 71; and J. B. Wilson 82-21 = 71.

Entries are now invited on lists posted on Club House Notice Boards for the 1953 Open Foursomes.

A Stableford competition will be held on Saturday and Sunday on both Courses at Fanling, seven-eighths of handicaps being allowed.

Members are reminded that Shanghai Foursomes may be played on the New Course on Sundays from 2 p.m. onwards and that afternoon starting lists will not be available before 11 a.m. on Sundays for the making of afternoon reservations.

MICKELM WINS PRESIDENT'S PUTTER

London, Jan. 12. Gerald Mickelm, 41-year-old former English Amateur Champion, won the Oxford and Cambridge Golfing Society's President's Putter for the first time when he beat R. B. Lucas, the left-handed golfing M.P., and 1949 British Walker Cup captain, two and one in the 18-hole final match at Rye, Sussex, today.

H. Malik, the Indian Ambassador in Paris, played in the first two rounds before being eliminated.—France-Press.

REFEREE PARAGON IN AN ORDEAL

By IVAN SHARPE

The full story has reached me of the triumph after ordeal, literally of fire and water, of a British referee (Mr. H. Dykes, of Manchester) in the League Championship-deciding match in Argentina, which has provided the year's most sensational football scenes and pictures. And this, mark you, in the country where the FA team will be touring next summer!

Mr. Dykes—a former Football League linesman and Central League referee—was appointed to the vital match between River Plate ("The Millionaires Club") and Newell's Old Boys at Rosario.

One of the reasons why British officials are sent for is allegations of bribery against Argentine referees, and in the first half Mr. Dykes sent Lopez, of Newell's off the field for saying: "River Plate have given you a lot of money"—I quote the referee's report.

The crowd became so hostile that at half-time the was unable to go to the dressing-room, to be sat on the ball in the middle of the field.

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Next, after River Plate had scored, spectators broke down the wire fence separating crowd from players, and invasion was only halted by firemen with a hose. Chairs were hurled about and showers of missiles followed, a linesman being struck by a bottle.

Then two men entered the field through the dressing-room tunnel, said they were Newell's Committee men, and told Mr. Dykes "there would be no guarantees if he continued refereeing was doing."

Thereupon Mr. Dykes abandoned the match.

Along with the linesmen he was escorted by police off the field and to their hotel. Here, police mounted guard outside their rooms all night, and next morning saw them safely on the train to Buenos Aires.

THE PROBLEM

Problem for the Argentine FA was that Racing (River Plate's rivals) won their last match and so stood level with River Plate on points, but second on goal-average. What should happen?

In Argentina, after such abandoned matches they usually play off the outstanding minutes—15 in this case. This time the Association ordered the 1-0 score to stand as the full result... and so River Plate win the Championship.

The British referee's determined action was thus upheld, and Mr. Fred Howarth, secretary of the Football

"Flying Parson" Clears 15 Feet For 30th Time

Washington, Jan. 10. The Olympic pole vault champion, the Rev. Bob Richards, reached 15 feet for the 30th time in his career tonight at the sixth annual track and field games.

Illinois' famous "Flying Parson" held the crowd gasping when he cleared the bar at 15 ft. on the nose. It was his second try at that height and he brushed the bar on his way down. The fans cheered when it stayed in place.

Richards later failed in three tries to make it at a height of 15 ft. 4 ins.

Don Lee, also of Illinois and runner-up to Richards at Helsinki, finished second again tonight with a leap of 14 ft. 4 ins.—United Press.

Too Easy For Ankara

Newcastle, Jan. 12. Roy Ankarah of the Gold Coast, the British Empire Featherweight Champion, topped fellow Gold Coasters Benny (Kid) Chocolate in the second round of a scheduled ten-round overweight bout tonight.

The referee halted the milling when Chocolate suffered a bad cut on the head.—Associated Press.

NEXT ON THE LIST

London, Jan. 13. Alby Tisong of Durban, the non-European Featherweight Champion of South Africa, is to fight Roy Ankarah of the Gold Coast, British Empire title holder, in an overweight match at Newcastle some time next month.—France-Press.

Australian Tennis Championships

Melbourne, Jan. 12. The doubles semi-final of the Australian Tennis Championships, to be played on January 15 at Kooyong between Vic Seixas and Ham Richardson and Australians Mervyn Rose and Don Candy, will be the doubles match of the tournament.

Both combinations played average tennis in their quarter-finals today.

Richardson and Seixas defeated Queenslanders Ian Ayre and Victor Rex Hartwin, 6-2, 6-3, 6-6, 13-11.

Candy and Rose dropped a set to the quickly thrown together combination of Italian Fausto Gardini and Western Australian Clive Wilderspin, and won 4-6, 6-1, 6-4, 6-4.

A win by Rose and Candy on Thursday would greatly enhance their pairing as a Davis Cup combination next year.

On the other hand, a win by Seixas and Richardson would go a long way to secure Richardson's third trip to Australia next December as reserve Doubles player.

The second semi-final will be between Australian youngsters

Records Claimed For Soviet Speed Skaters

Moscow, Jan. 12. Mr. Sven Lattman of Sweden, Vice-President of the International Skating Union, said here tonight that he had examined documents submitted by the Soviet Sports Committee on ten world records set up by Soviet speed skaters and would submit them to the Council of the Union.

Mr. Lattman added that he planned to recommend recognition of the performances achieved at Medeo Alpine rink, Alma Ata, last year.

Among the Soviet skaters whose names are up for recognition are Sergeyev, Grishin, Shuklov, Chaikin, Beljov and Frolov.—Reuter.

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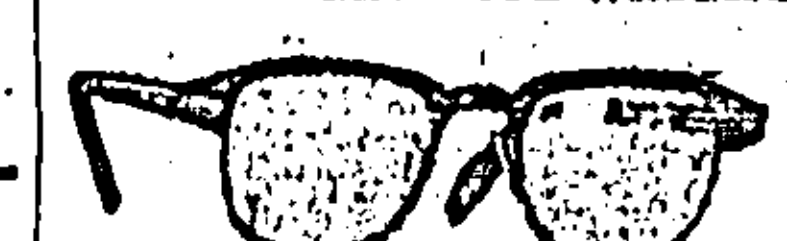
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TULYAR MAY BE EVEN BETTER NEXT SEASON

Says JAMES PARK

Some idea of the strength of the French 1953 challenge is found in the entries for the Coronation Cup at Epsom and Gold Cup at Ascot. Of the 45 in the Coronation Cup 17 are trained in France. There are 48 for the Gold Cup, with 20 trained across the Channel.

Fortunately we have Tulyar to represent us in the Coronation Cup. As was already known, the colt has not been nominated for the Gold Cup. According to present plans he will fulfil another engagement at the Royal meeting.

The Aga Khan is taking a different view of his racing and breeding interests. He is no longer cashing in on a commercial basis as he used to once a horse has done sufficient on the racecourse to establish himself as an asset for the stud.

It is to be noted that, in addition to Tulyar, the owner has retained Nuccio, who will be five years old next year, for another season's racing.

Nuccio has taken a long time to fine tune and gave by far his best performance in the Arc de Triomphe. I should not be in the least surprised to find him continuing on the upgrade.

The big owner-breeder in England have almost a cast-iron rule to retire the top-class fillies at the end of their second season. Their counterparts in France take a different view.

Thus we find La Mirambule and Arbelte II entered for the Coronation Cup. Each is now a four-year-old and I anticipate La Mirambule being the best four-year-old filly in Europe, in 1953.

I was rather surprised when I got to Longchamp last October to learn that connections of La Mirambule were pleased with the conditions. The going had become heavy and as I looked at the filly walking round I could scarcely credit that one of her size and rather frail physique would be at home in such going.

DYNAMITER'S LIMIT

I had no reason to alter that opinion after the race. As the field made the turn into the straight and Nuccio was rushed into the lead La Mirambule was still on a tight rein. It looked as if she could go up to the leader whenever the jockey cared.

But the filly floundered in the mud and literally "died" in the jockey's hands.

True to his custom, M. Marcel Bousnac has kept the rising five-year-old Dynamiter, in training. I think the horse is more likely to stay the mile and a half in the Coronation Cup than the filly, Arbelte II.

The idea that Dynamiter finds his limit at about a mile and a quarter was not confirmed in the Arc de Triomphe. He finished so well that he would have beaten La Mirambule for second place in a few more strides.

It is good to know that Tulyar is thriving. He has grown, put on weight and let down in his frame since last we saw him in the St Leger.

There need be no surprise if he proves relatively better than ever in his third season.

—(London Express Service)



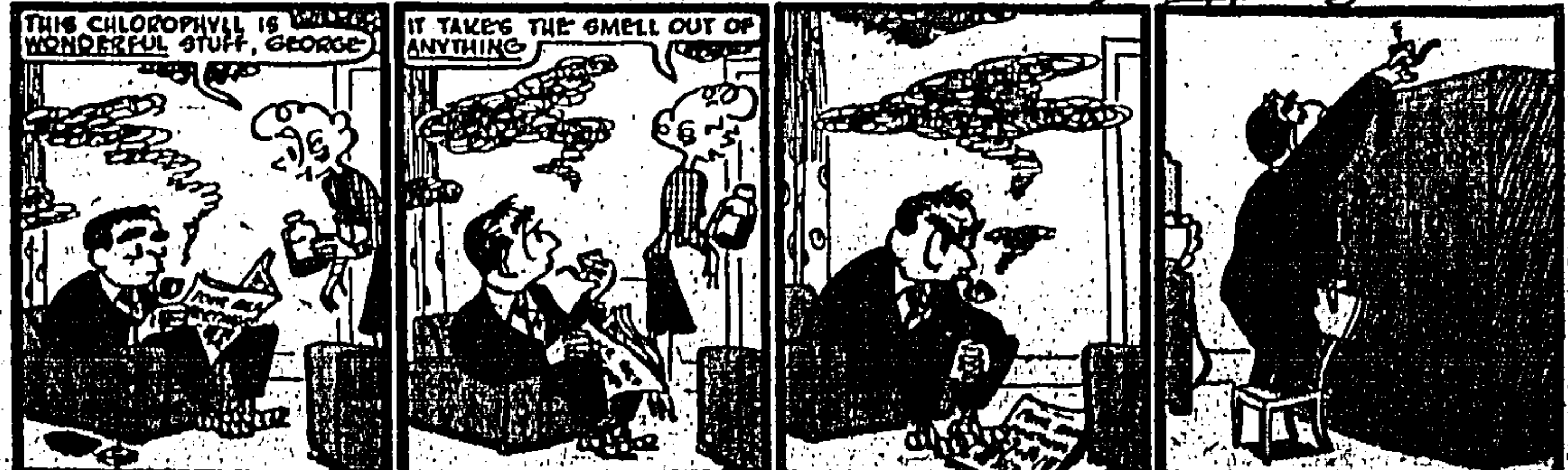
France's Tennis Hopes Pinned On 16-Year-Old

Paris, Jan. 12. France opened the 1953 sports season with its top tennis hopes pinned on 16-year-old Jean Noel Grinda, the most promising young player France has had since 1939.

Practically unknown last year, he was ranked in the first series this year after he had trounced French veterans Bernard Destremieu and Robert Abdeslam and put up a vigorous fight against American Budgie Patty.—United Press.

THE GAMBOLS

by Barry Appleby



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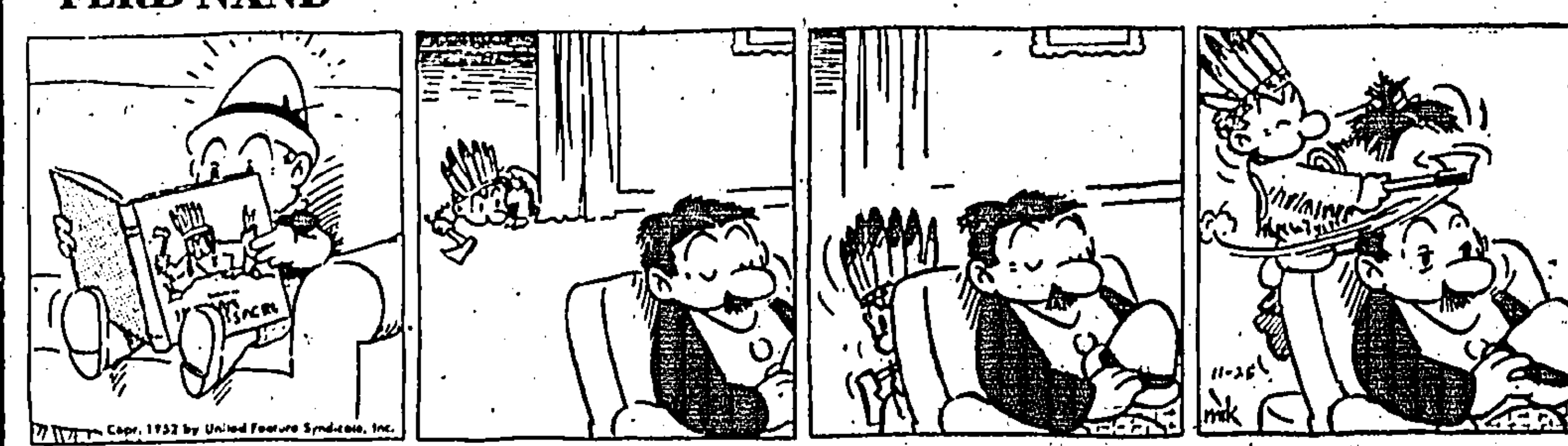
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TAKE NOTICE, that a Meeting of the Creditors in the above matter will in pursuance to Section 226 of The Companies Ordinance be held at Room No. 7 Mezzanine floor, Telephone House, Hong Kong, on Monday the 19th day of January, 1953 at 3 p.m. in the afternoon for the purposes set out in Sections 226, 227 and 228 of the above Ordinance.

AGENDA

1. To consider an Extraordinary Resolution for winding up the above-named Company to be passed by the Company on Monday the 19th day of January, 1953.

2. To consider a statement of the position of the company's affairs together with a list of creditors of the company and the estimated amount of their claims.

3. To nominate a person or persons to be liquidator or liquidators with powers to act jointly and/or severally for the purpose of winding up the affairs and distributing the assets of the abovenamed company.

4. To fix the remuneration of the proposed liquidator or liquidators.

5. To appoint members of a committee of inspection.

6. To consider the appointment of members of the committee of inspection appointed by the company.

By Order of the Board, K. C. LEE, Secretary.

Dated the 10th day of January, 1953.

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NATO GOAL

MUST BE REACHED

Paris, Jan. 12. Democratic Representative Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr. said today that the North Atlantic goal of 100 divisions before 1955 absolutely must be reached because the threat of war is as serious, and in certain cases perhaps more so, as it was two years ago.

Mr. Roosevelt spoke at a Press conference after talking with General Matthew B. Ridgway. He said that he was in Europe "paying my own bills" and to gather information on NATO cutbacks. He would present this information to Democratic leaders and the House Foreign Affairs Committee of which he is a member.

The son of the former President of the United States said that Congress might cut American aid unless military targets for Europe, established at the Lisbon conference a year ago, were achieved.

He was worried about European cutbacks because if they came Congress might feel that aid also should be stretched out.

Mr. Roosevelt arrived on Sunday night after a conference in London.

"There is no basic change in the intent of the Kremlin to communise and dominate the world—witness the protracted truce negotiations in Korea and the situation in Indo-China," he said.

"It is as much a threat now as it was a year ago and unless we are able to counter the military threat that still exists it will continue. The only way the military threat will be reduced is when we have forces strong enough to meet it."

Thus he backed General Ridgway's campaign to restore the cuts made in his base building programme over the next two years and to counter reports that the Lisbon targets will be scrapped—United Press.

Contract Extended

Geneva, Jan. 12. Dr. Chandra Mohi, India, today had his contract as Director of the World Health Organisation in South-east Asia unanimously extended for another five-year term by the World Health Organisation Executive.—Reuter.

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"Japan Not Reliable," Warning

Perth, Jan. 13. Professor W. McMahon Ball, former Australian Minister in Japan, declared here that it would be foolish to regard Japan as a reliable ally. He said that the re-arming of Japan was a profound mistake.

Now Professor of Political Science at Melbourne University, Professor McMahon Ball told the Western Australian summer school here that he believed the factors active in the 1930's in shaping Japan's foreign policy were today more active and more powerful than at that time.

He added that in the long view, Japan was likely to want to rely once again on force to fulfil her national destiny.

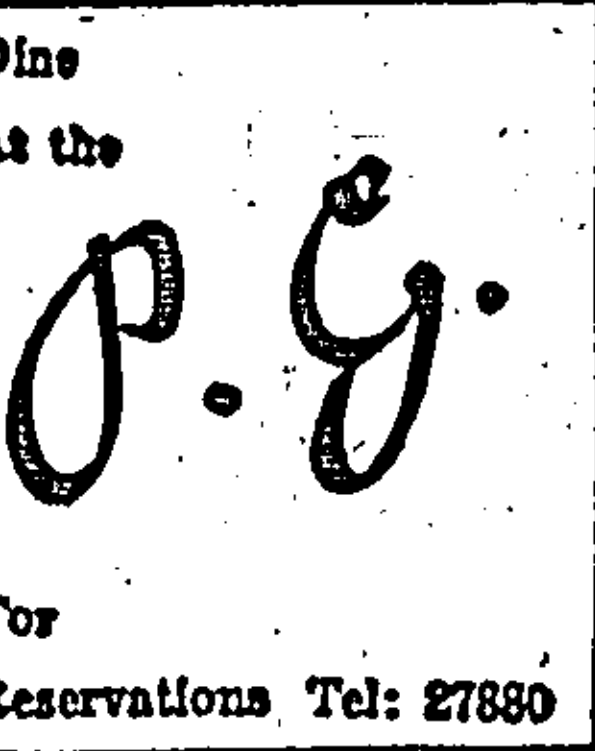
Professor McMahon Ball said that the best thing that could be done, both for Japan and for the peace of Asia, was to seek an agreement whereby difficult to ensure that Japan should remain neutralised and disarmed.

In many ways, Russia and China had a great deal to offer Japan probably more than could be offered by the Western world. Russia and China would be able to offer foodstuffs and minerals. Therefore, concluded the Professor, an alliance between Russia and Japan within the next 20 years could not be ruled out.—France-Press.

NEW ILO CHIEF

Geneva, Jan. 12. The International Labour Organisation today announced the appointment of Mr. Chester W. Hopper of Pennsylvania, as Chief of ILO operations.

Mr. Hopper is a former labour adviser to General Douglas MacArthur when he was Supreme Commander in Tokyo. Until now he has been head of the ILO manpower division here.—Reuter.



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The Rubber Markets

London, Jan. 12.
The rubber market was steady today. Prices closed as follows:

Number 1 rubber, in pence	24 1/2
February	24 1/2
March	24 1/2
April/June	24 1/2
July/September	24 1/2
October/December	24 1/2

—United Press.

NEW YORK MARKET

Prices of rubber futures closed today 55 to 60 points lower with sales totalling 130 contracts. Prices closed as follows:

March	28 1/2 bid
May	27 1/2 bid
July	26 1/2 bid
September	25 1/2 bid
October	24 1/2 bid
March	23 1/2 nominal
Spot	23 1/2

—United Press.

New York Sugar Futures

New York, Jan. 12.
World sugar futures closed unchanged to 4 points lower with sales totalling 395 contracts. Contract No. 6 closed unchanged to 6 points lower with sales totalling 640 contracts. Contract No. 4 (world) closed as follows:

March	3 1/2
May	3 1/2
July	3 1/2
September	3 1/2
October	3 1/2
January	3 1/2
March	3 1/2
May	3 1/2
Spot	3 1/2

Contract No. 6 closed as follows:

March	3 1/2
May	3 1/2
July	3 1/2
September	3 1/2
October	3 1/2
January	3 1/2
March	3 1/2
May	3 1/2
Spot	3 1/2

—United Press.

Load Price in N.Y.
New York, Jan. 12.
Prices in the metals market closed unchanged with the following exception:

Lead, common, New York, per lb. 14.00 cents.—United Press.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$158,235. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

BANKS	1420	10 @ 1415
East Asia	131	
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SHIPPING	1440	
Waterfront	1440	
Asia	140	
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U.K. Hotel	1415	
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Shai Dock	1415	
Wheelock	1415	

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HK Hotel	57	50 @ 57 1/2
HK Land (O)	57	50 @ 57 1/2
HK Land (N)	57	50 @ 57 1/2
Shai Dock	1415	
Wheelock	1415	
Utilities	2220	22 1/2
Star Ferry	127	
C. Light (O)	0.25	0.40 @ 0.25
C. Light (N)	0.25	0.40 @ 0.25
Macao Elec.	10.40	10.90
Telephone	10.40	10.90
INDUSTRIALS	10.20	
Topo	20 1/2	
STOCKS, ETC.	10.50	
Watson	23 1/2	
COTTONS	2.10	
MISCELLANEOUS	2.70	2.80
Yongtze	2.70	2.80

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:

U.S. dollar (per \$1) 10.00

Sterling note (per £1) 10.00

Indonesian guilder (per 100) 10.00

Siam tical (per 100) 10.00

Singapore dollar (per 100) 10.00

etc. (per 100) 10.00

Japanese Trade Mission

Tokyo, Jan. 12.
The Japanese Government plans to send a trade mission to Middle East nations to conclude trade agreements, the newspaper Asahi said today.

Asahi said the mission, which will be sent to improve trade relations, will visit Iran, Iraq, Syria, Lebanon and Turkey and the Government also intends to dispatch a goodwill mission to Cuba to revise trade agreements between the two nations.—Associated Press.

Foreign Profits In Japan

Tokyo, Jan. 12.
Profits aggregating some 10,000 million yen have been accumulated by foreign businessmen in Japan since the end of the war, the influential "Asahi Shimbun" estimated today.

The accumulation resulted mainly from the restrictions imposed by the Japanese Government on the remittance of Japanese currency abroad. The newspaper said that foreign businessmen in Japan were now endeavoring to activate their yen capital by investing it in Japanese enterprises.

The yen deposits held by foreigners largely consist of profits earned by American film companies, foreign banks, air lines and small individual shops operated by Chinese and White Russians.

The "Asahi Shimbun" said that the money accumulated in Japan could be classified roughly into two categories—yen accumulated by individuals or companies with offices outside Japan, and money earned and saved by foreigners living in Japan.

Those in the latter category are restricted from sending their profits to their home countries. In case of film companies, however, they are allowed to send 30 per cent of their profits raised through the distribution of their films in Japan.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT

Motion picture distributors generally have about 22 per cent of their proceeds accumulated in yen here after having settled their tax and public expenses, the "Asahi Shimbun" estimated. The amount which each foreign firm and individual is allowed to remit home, is determined by the Japanese Government following individual screening.

Although most of the yen thus accumulated are deposited in local banks, some of it is used as capital investments here.

Foreigners are at present forbidden from buying stock of Japanese companies already established, but they are allowed to set up new companies.

This, the newspaper reported, is at present the stumbling block delaying the conclusion of the United States-Japan commerce and navigation treaty. The Japanese Government claims that if foreigners are to be permitted to buy Japanese stock as proposed by the United States, many Japanese companies will soon pass into the control of foreign businessmen, the "Asahi Shimbun" said.

Foreigners, however, are free to buy real estate in Japan.—France-Press.

THREE-POINT REPORT

Taipei, Jan. 12.
The economic survey group, which returned here from Japan at the end of last year, made a three-point suggestion in its report to the Nationalist Government, the "Chen Hsin Hsin Wen", an economic journal, reported today.

The recommendations were (1) to conduct a detailed study of the foreign trade situation in Japan, (2) to unify the overlapping Nationalist Government agencies in charge of foreign trade, and (3) to allow more of the export and import business to go to private enterprise.—France-Press.

TRADE TALKS IN MANILA

Singapore, Jan. 12.
Malaya will be represented at the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East Trade Promotion Conference to be held in Manila from February 23 to March 4.

The conference will examine the present situation and outlook for trade. It will also consider import needs and export possibilities of certain countries in and outside the region.—Reuters.

Chancellor Is Faced With Prospect Of Deficit In Budget

(By Norman Crump)

London, Jan. 12.

It has long been clear that the current year's Budget might not balance, and the nine months' revenue and expenditure returns have done little to dispel those fears.

Looking back to 1951-52, the revenue for the first nine months of that year was £2,682 million, while the complete year's revenue was £4,433 million.

This meant that about £1,750 million was collected in the last quarter of that year.

The first nine months of 1952-53 have yielded £2,012 million, while Mr. Butler budgeted for a year's revenue of £4,001 million. To realize his estimate he must collect £2,050 million during the last quarter of this year, and this means £300 million more than he collected in the last quarter of 1951-52. Obviously he is unlikely to do so. My feeling is that he will do well to collect £1,500 million for the complete year.

Looking at the various revenue items, income tax is always the great imponderable, and there is still a chance that it may ease Mr. Butler. The receipts under this head during the next two months demand close scrutiny. On the other hand, it is already clear that death duties, stamps, customs and excise are all likely to fall short of their estimates.

Nor is there yet much sign of real economy. In 1951-52 nine months' expenditure of £2,891 million was translated into £4,020 million for the complete year. The nine months figure for 1952-53 is £2,113 million, and unless there is economy in rearmament or elsewhere, the year's figure may well be £4,200 million. This is just in excess of the estimated expenditure of £4,170 million for the year.

THE PROSPECTS

Extra-budgetary expenditure is being inflated by the success of the Government's housing programme. Loans to local authorities, which are largely required for this purpose, are running in excess of those granted in 1951-52, and this year's net figure may be £400 million, against last year's net figure of £355 million.

All in all, it looks as if this year's extra-budgetary expenditure may total £550 or £600 million, against Mr. Butler's estimate of £500 million.

Last March Mr. Butler hoped for a Budget surplus of £510 million, or just enough to cover the extra-budgetary expenditure. Unless the last quarter turns out much better than seems likely, today's prospects are for a Budget surplus of no more than £300 million.

If the year's extra-budgetary items cost only £550 million, Mr. Butler will be left with an overall deficit of £250 million.

ARGENTINE PROTOCOL

If ever the world returns to sanity, the economic textbooks of fifty years hence may well cite current Anglo-Argentine trade relations as a glaring example of what happens when Governments take to bulk buying and nationalisation. Under the new protocol to the 1949 Agreement, all we get is a promise of rather better meat supplies than we had under the 1951 protocol, at rather lower prices than those for which Argentina originally asked.

Otherwise Argentina scores all along the line: the new meat prices are higher than those which we are paying to the Dominions. Argentina's main imports are to be coal, oil and staples, rather than textiles and other manufactured goods. We would prefer to sell to her. She is to receive £20 million, and will also have the right to convert into dollars all Sterling balances in excess of £20 million.

The protocol almost entirely ignores the claims of British investors. It says nothing about the remittance of interest, dividends, or other income. It regards compensation to British owners of nationalised property, such as Anglo-Argentine Tramways and other public utilities, there is a suggestion that a joint committee of British and Argentine representatives will be appointed to consider outstanding problems and report within six months.

NOT TO BLAME

On this, it may be said that the one outstanding problem is that Argentina should pay for what she has taken. The latest date for report should not be six months ahead, but next March or at such later date as she succeeds in selling her coming maize crop.

But we cannot blame Argentina alone for this injustice to British investors. The door to injustices of this kind was opened by the late British Government, when it first began nationalising British public utilities at prices fixed by itself.

One final thought: If the purchase and sale of Argentine

meat had remained in private hands, it would never have become mixed up with questions of British trade and British investments. Then, we should have been better off, not only in our pockets, but even in our larders.

GOLD AND DOLLARS

When due allowance is made for the \$181 million (£24 million) which we paid on December 31 in respect of the complete returns for the past six months, for these claims, the dollar reserves were gratifyingly small. It amounted to only \$49 million (£17.5 million), so that apart from our debt payments we had a surplus on the month of \$132 million (£46.5 million).

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So far, so good. But we have still some way to go, and we have only achieved our recent results by means of a drastic cut in imports, which cannot be a permanent feature of our economy. So there is no room for equanimity.

EXCELLENT U.S. STEEL OUTLOOK

New York, Jan. 12.

Increasing business optimism spurs continued strength in the steel market for months ahead, the Iron Age, national metalworking weekly, reports.

Steel users are raising their production targets, the weekly said, and this is bound to be reflected (perhaps even magnified) in the steel market.

The actual strength and duration of demand may surprise the many forecasters who predicted a good first half year for the steel industry followed by a tapering off, the Iron Age said.

As steel demand fully strong now as it had been for many months.

"Some in the steel industry now believe momentum will carry high levels of demand and production well into the second half," the Iron Age said.

"Others recall that inventory correction has in the past reversed the steel market with amazing suddenness. They caution that it will be well to watch the rate of new orders and cancellations in the months ahead."

Unexpected demand is coming from civilian customers, not military, the weekly said. Conversion demand remains strong, long after it was expected to expire.

In its greatest expansion since history, the steel industry added 9,000,000 tons of new capacity last year and now is rated at 117,500,000 net tons per year. It expects to add another 4,000,000 tons this year. "Greatly increased capacity is the ace-in-the-hole steel people are counting on to help free them from the controls yoke," the Iron Age said. "They estimate that they will be able to produce 118,000,000 net tons of steel this year—if needed. But they doubt that consumers can long digest steel at that rate."

The publication also found some indications that buyers are giving more attention to quality. This could be a sign that they are now desperate, although the Iron Age reported "products remain a most uniformly tight with the exception of some wire products and some limited tonnage applications."—Associated Press.

JAPANESE BONDS

London, Jan. 12.
Japanese bonds: 83 (4% of 1950) 75 1/2 (4% of 1951) 133 1/2 (4% of 1952) 100 1/2 (4% of 1953) 100 1/2 (4% of 1954) 100 1/2 Consols 100 1/2 —United Press.

American 'Swing To Scotland'

New York, Jan. 12.

Scotland is attracting a growing number of American branch plants because it offers numerous advantages for a wide range of industries, a New York advertising executive reports.

Mr. J. Harvey Howells, advertising and promotion manager of the Lever division of New York City's Lever Brothers, told a meeting of the export managers of the United States Committee of the Scottish Council, named a score or more of big American organizations which have established units in Scotland in the last few years. These included: "Remington Rand, National Cash Register, International Business Machines, Coca Cola, Thomas Edison, Westinghouse, Burroughs, Adding Machines, Johnson & Johnson and Hoover."

According to size, Scotland's share of American enterprises in Great Britain should be only 12 per cent, Mr. Howells said. Actually, he added, Scotland has attracted 52 per cent of this business.

Mr. Howells gave eight reasons for America's "swing to Scotland."

SKILLED WORKERS

1. Labour—The Scottish working men are highly qualified, although the cost is about the same as for other British Labour.

2. There are plenty of workers available for almost all types of industry. Further, Scottish women are very adaptable to work.

3. The labour force is stable. Most workers spend their entire lives in the same communities.

4. Scotland has nine technical schools which turn out good engineers and skilled technicians.

5. Materials—Most items are in ample supply.

6. Power—There is enough hydro-electric power in Scotland to guarantee almost 100 per cent freedom from power failures.

7. Transportation—There are excellent facilities, and exports of imports move no farther than 30 miles to sea.

8. The Scottish industrial estates—These are commercial villages where almost everything is built to order for new plants, and at much lower costs than in many other countries.—Associated Press.

Pepper Market

New York, Jan. 12.
The pepper market ruled quiet and steadier in tone encouraged by higher Indian cables. Spot and stocks awaiting release were indicated at around \$1.10 a pound. January shipment was quoted at \$1.13, February \$1.10-1.11, March \$1.09 a pound.—United Press.

SEEDS AND OILS

New York, Jan. 12.
Prices in the seeds and oils market closed unchanged with the following exceptions:

Flax seed, per bushel, FOB Minneapolis \$4.02 1/2.

New York Peanuts, Virginia, Medium, 2 1/4-2 1/2 per lb. FOB shipping point.—United Press.

NY Stock Exchange

New York, Jan. 12.
Dow Jones averages at the end of the stock market session stood as follows:

30 Industrials	280.44
20 Rails	108.31
10 Utilities	81.40
40 Bonds	88.77

—United Press.

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"TJIPONDOK"	Jan. 23	Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TJIBANTJET"	Jan. 23	Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TJIBANGI"	Feb. 2	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TASMAN"	Feb. 4	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TROMBAYAN"	Feb. 5	Japan
"STRAAT MAKASSAR"	Feb. 1	Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TJIBANTJET"	Feb. 17	Singapore, Penang, E. & S. Africa & S. America
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"TROMBAYAN"	Mar. 5	Japan
"TILUWAI"	Mar. 10	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TROMBAYAN"	Mar. 17	Japan
"TASMAN"	Mar. 17	Japan
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"TJIBANGI"	Apr. 2	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
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OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER

Asia Looking To The Dominion For Support

FROM H. KING WOOD

Sydney, Jan. 9.

Asia today is on the move. Nationalism is on the upsurge and no retrograde forces could possibly keep this avalanche in check, High Commissioner for India, Mr Dullesinghamji, declared this week.

He said that even the most cursory look at the map would show how Nature, in its original design, aimed to link the fortunes of Asia and Australia.

"Australia is young in years, hence full of vitality. She has no past to contend with or out-grow. Her history is not marked by any imperialistic ventures. She stands out in South East Asia as a progressive, democratic country," he said.

"Australia's support — moral and material — to neighbouring countries struggling to secure their birth-right of self-determination will go a long way towards strengthening the ties between the Asian countries."

A tiny, shy Japanese bride arrived in Sydney by airliner yesterday with two suitcases and a £1 note and burst into tears when she learned that there was no one at the airport to meet her.

She is Mrs Peter Pallett, wife of an RAAF man now living in Victoria. Only 4 ft 10 in high and smartly dressed she sobbed as she stood alone on the airport. Stewards and hostesses tried to help her, finally discovered that she had to go on to Melbourne.

By bills and pieces they also learned that she was called Terrie, that she had met her husband while both were attending a Japanese language school, that only last week she had sent a cable saying that she intended to leave for Australia a month earlier than planned.

The pay-off: Terry burst into tears again at Melbourne when there was no welcoming face. Officials managed to find among her papers a phone number of the daughter-in-law is also a war bride (see below) and they sent her there in a taxi.

No sooner had her taxi disappeared than Pallett arrived. He had been waiting at another part of the airport.

He jumped into another taxi and went post haste to the Parker home — and that story ended in smiles.

Cherry Parker, first Japanese war bride to reach Australia, was also the first Jap war bride to have a child on Australian soil. A son has joined two daughters who were born in Japan.

CANT & NONSENSE

It is a long time since Australia has been subjected to such a string of cant and nonsense that followed the turning professional of tennis stars Sedgman and McGregor.

After criticising the two players for leaving the amateur ranks, Sir Norman Brookes, president of that august body the Australian Lawn Tennis Association, who looks upon a pro as something that might come out of a flying saucer, calmly turns around and states that Sedgman and McGregor were offered jobs carrying a salary of thousands a year "and ownership of a string of service stations".

What's the difference? When does an amateur come through the thin red line and suddenly find himself a pro?

The humbug about it all, of course, is that there is no such thing as a true amateur tennis player in the big time. For the last two years Sedgman has done nothing but play tennis, and for at least eight months of that time travelled the world. Surely he has not done all that out of his pocket and lived?

No one is blaming the two players for all this, of course. Two more decent sportsmen it would be hard to find. But the sooner the big shots in tennis come out in the open and tell the cash customers that the only way to get first class players in major sports is to pay those players decent money for the time they devote to the game the sooner we will have the sense of the type revealed by Sir Norman Brookes.

HIGH HOPES

In spite of the loss of these stars, Australian Davis Cup captain Harry Hopman believes we can still be counted on for a spirited defence of the Cup later this year.

Hopman even suggests that without Sedgman and McGregor in the last challenge round Merv Rose, Ken Rosewall and Lewis Hoad would have given the Americans a few nasty moments.

One thing is very certain: All the tennis know-how in Australia will concentrate on Davis Cup material in the next 12 months so that we can hold the Cup and, like a small boy, poke our tongue out at Masters Sedgman and McGregor and say... See!

A sting in this "death": A man who put his own death notice in a Perth paper after a sinking boat has been fined £5 for false pretences.

FIRST AMBASSADOR
A bowing, smiling, greying little man Mr Haruhiko Nishi, Japan's first post-war Ambassador to Australia, has arrived with his wife, daughter and various members of his staff. He hopes to set up his Embassy in Canberra, but if he finds the housing situation too acute (he'll be lucky if he doesn't) he will open temporary offices in Sydney.

A special squad of a dozen detectives was stationed at Sydney's airport for the arrival of the party. The arrival, calmly, accepted the arrival calmly. Here are some of the Ambassador's slow replies to quick-fire battery of questions.

Japan no longer had aspirations for territorial expansion, and was today a country of peace. The only thing that would force Japan to expand was the great and growing population but birth control was now being practised to help overcome this. A lot of Australians are in Japan and have believed the world came back with sweet memories.

Asked if it was planned to bring service attaché to Australia, the Ambassador gave a broad smile and said: "But we have no service — only a police force."

He ended the interview with a smile: "Japan now has the most peaceful constitution in the world."

DROUGHT ENDS

Rain this week in some parts of the Northern Territory has ended a two-year record drought which has caused damage and loss which won't be repaired in our time.

Two of the biggest cattle districts have lost 200,000 head of stock — about 20 per cent of the total cattle population of the Territory.

On the usually lush tableland drought has withered out half the cattle. Some stations, however, saved cattle by moving them hundreds of miles into Queensland.

The Vestey meat organisation has two gangs working on home-steads and one man is carting water 11 miles a day in a cart for his wife and four children. Unless the rains become general many home-steads may have to be abandoned.

Where rain has fallen, however, it has done a magnificent job — up to eight inches in some areas — setting on the move again creeks which have been dried beds for nearly two years.

Tennant Creek, near the heart of Australia, celebrated by holding its first "boat race" — a rubbery, dingy and home-made canoe.

The whole town, which turned out to see the race — won by the canoe — was later marooned for five hours as the Creek came down in flood, blocking their return.

RICE INDUSTRY

More should be known about the potentialities of the Northern Territory rice industry by April than ever before.

Seeding of a large experimental farm 40 miles from Darwin has now been completed and another large area a few miles away is being prepared.

Experts say that the rice industry in the Territory has a future larger than the present pastoral industry and if experiments over the next three years are successful thousands of farmers could be settled on rice farms in the coastal area.

The Pakistan Government has accepted an Australian offer to supply nine diesel electric locomotives under the Colombo Plan. They will cost Australia £800,000.

Minister for External Affairs Mr Richard Casey revealed this week that local firms had already supplied or had firm work orders for about £3,300,000 worth of goods for Pakistan under the Plan.

A British freighter next week will take the first load of a shipment of 33,000 tons of coal to Japan, and three Japanese vessels will take the rest of the shipment in the next three weeks.

Japan will be the first post-war shipment of coal to Japan. The coal is said to be of first class steaming quality.

Australia is still negotiating with both Hongkong and Pakistan for the sale of coal.

BAN ON DIVERS
The Japanese Government has refused to let Japanese divers work in the pearling industry at Broome, Western Australia.

Japan has rejected Australia's request for divers as a protest against Australia's action in keeping Japanese pearling fleets out of waters adjacent to the coast of Australia.

In October Australia approved the admission of up to 25 Japanese divers for the pearling season. Approval was only given after a thorough investigation to ensure that labour for diving was not available locally.

The lack of these divers may place the pearling in a bit of a spot.

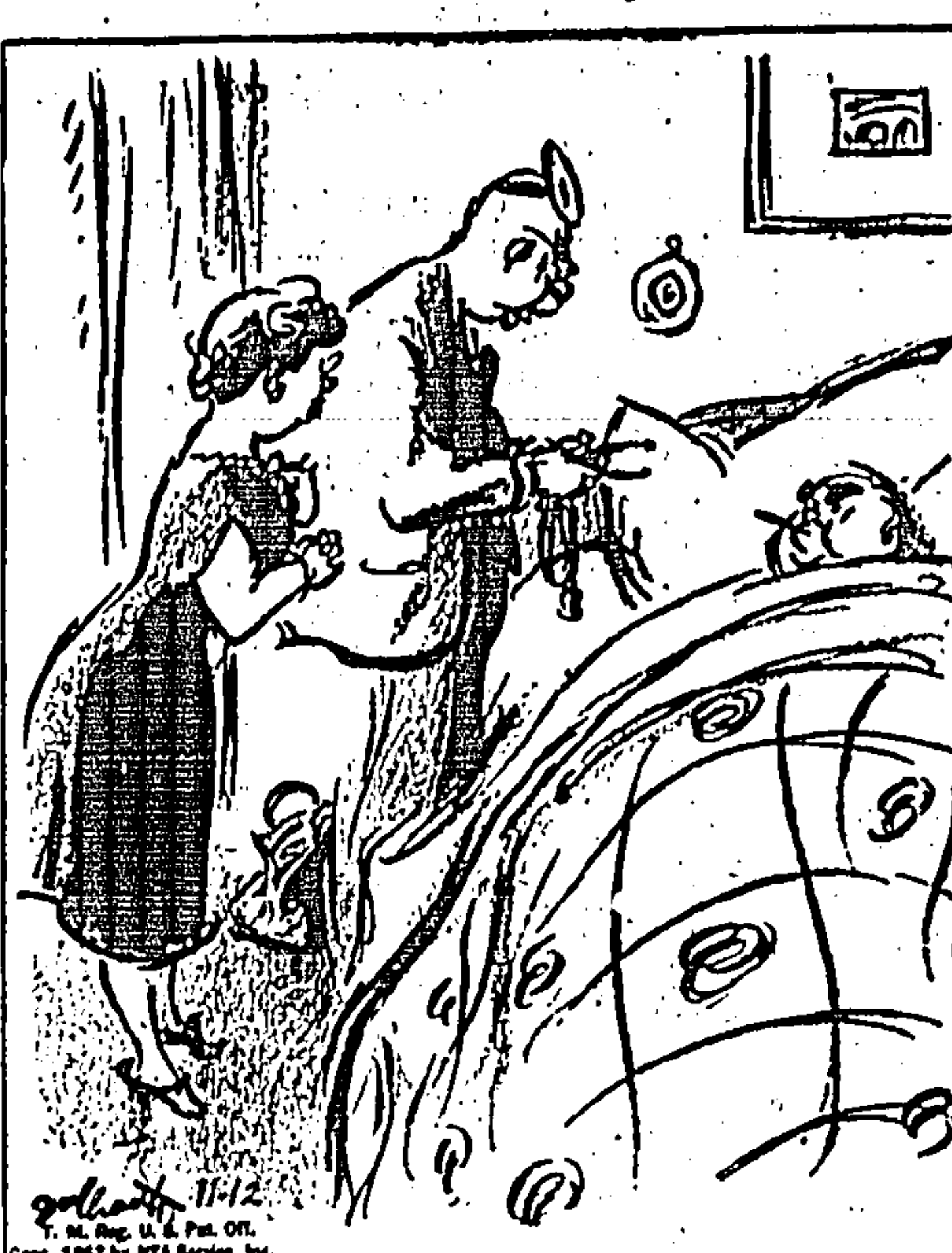
In a merry spree in a Melbourne suburb an escaped monkey knocked on people's doors, frightened several elderly women, invaded fowl runs and ate all the eggs he could find, cleaned up all the lettuce patches he could find and generally amused a big crowd of youngsters.

The monkey, Jimmy, had escaped from a sideshow nearby by unchaining himself.

It isn't the first time he has been up to monkey tricks. On New Year's Day he gleefully tore up £10 in notes.

INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION
This is one of my simpler facts. The relative amounts spent are as follows: by the Government, £2 million; by the public, £1 million; by the private sector, £1 million.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"If you know so much about these new-fangled viruses and miracle drugs, why do you bother to call a doctor?"

Assaulted Motor Boat Coxswain

Three army drivers from the RASC attached to the Argyle Street Camp were each fined £175 by Mr D. F. O'Reilly Mayne at Kowloon this morning for assault and two other counts of disorderly conduct.

The defendants, William Laird, 19, David Houston, 19, and Reginald Hawkins, 21, were also ordered to pay £15 each as compensation to Lee Choy, a coxswain of a motor boat for the injury he had caused to his right eye.

The Police said that the three men engaged the motor boat from Kowloon but soon after it had left the wharf they ordered the boat to return. On arrival they were asked to pay the fare of \$2. This they refused and they assaulted the crew, inflicting injury to the coxswain's eye. The Police were summoned and while on their way to the station, the three men quarrelled and fought among themselves when they arrived at the Station.

An officer from the defendants' unit informed the Court that the three drivers had very good military characters. They had created the disorder because they were under the influence of drink.

Trouble Over Ping Pong Ball

In binding over two workers of the Children's Welfare Centre Southern Playground in \$1,000 for two years for disorderly conduct, Mr Poon Yeh-hoi said that if the Police had not been on the spot when the incident had occurred, one of the defendants might have faced a murder charge.

The two defendants, Ping Hung, 24, and Tang Wah-hei, 17, who appeared at Central this morning were also fined \$50 each on the charge, and the first defendant was ordered to pay \$3 compensation to the Centre for the chair that he had damaged in the fight.

Inspector C. Pope said that on Monday the two defendants had an argument over a ping pong ball. The first defendant picked up a chair to strike the second defendant, who grabbed two choppers to attack his assailant. A Police officer, who was on the spot, then intervened and arrested the men.

Adm. Russell Arrives

HMS Alert wearing the flag of Admiral the Honourable Sir Guy H. E. Russell, KCB, DSO, Commander-in-Chief of the Far East Station entered Harbour at 10 o'clock this morning.

Living Language

Why we say Gargouille.

The dragons, fiends, and misshapen beasts that adorn the churches and cathedrals of the Middle Ages take their name from the French word "gargouille" which means the throat. They were so called because they were devised in the first place as spouts for rain-water, which appeared to come pouring out of their throats. It also happens that Gargouille was the name of a terrible dragon which was said to have ravaged Rouen in the seventh century.

Mail Notices

The latest times of posting shown below are those for unregistered correspondence posted at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest times for registered mail, which in general, are earlier than the G.P.O. times, can be ascertained by enquiry at the local office.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 13

Indo-China, France, French North & West Africa, 4.30 p.m. Air Viet-Nam.
Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 5 p.m. P.A.C.
Malaya, Ceylon, India, Burma, Pakistan, Middle East, Great Britain, Europe, 6 p.m. B.O.A.C.
Macao, 9 a.m.; 6 p.m., as Lee Hong/Tek Shing.
Malaya, 6 p.m., as Benvenue.
Indo-China, 3 p.m., as Sun On.
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14
Formosa, Japan, 9 a.m., via C.A.T.
Siam, Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 4.30 p.m. C.P.A.
Formosa, Okinawa, U.S.A. (New York), Canada, 6 p.m. H.K.A./N.W.A.C.
Japan, 6 p.m. B.O.A.C.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. Programme Summary:
6.00 a.m. The Morning News.
6.15 a.m. Light Orchestra Programme.
7.00 a.m. Time Signal.
7.15 a.m. Morning News.
7.30 a.m. Box 200 - Bert Gillett at the Console (Studio).
8.00 a.m. 1.30. News.
8.15 a.m. 1.30. Weather Report.
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Godown Co. & APL Bring Appeals Before Full Court

Two appeals in respect of 50 bundles of Buntal fibre, stored in the HK and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., were jointly heard by the Full Court, comprising the Chief Justice, Sir Gerard Howe, and the Senior Puisne Judge, Mr Justice E. H. Williams, this morning.

The first appeal, brought by the Godown Company, was against the judgment of Mr Justice Reece (Puisne Judge) made on November 1, 1952. Appellants ask the Court to set the judgment aside and that they be given leave to interplead and that the Universal Development Co., Ltd., (one of the respondents) be ordered to pay the costs in those proceedings and costs of the appeal.

The respondents are the Universal Development Co., Ltd., of 15, Ice House Street, and the American President Lines, Ltd., of St George's Building.

In the second appeal, the American President Lines Ltd are asking for an order that the judgment of Mr Justice Reece (Puisne Judge) dated November 1, 1952, declaring that there were no adverse claims to the 50 bundles of Buntal fibre, the subject matter of those proceedings, and that the Godown Company were not entitled to relief by way of interpleader, be rescinded and that the costs in those proceedings and the costs of the appeal be paid by the Universal Development Co., Ltd.

Appearing for the Godown Company are Mr Charles E. Loschy, QC, and Mr Oswald Cheung, both instructed by Mr R.A. Wadson, of Messrs Deacons.

The Universal Development Co., Ltd. are represented by Mr Percy Chen and Mr D. A. L. Wright, both on the instructions of Mr Y.K. Kan of Messrs Lo and Lo.

The Hon. Loo d'Almeida, QC, and Mr Brook A. Bernachi, both instructed by Mr P.J. Griffiths of Messrs Wilkinson and Grist, are for the American President Lines Ltd.

An application by Mr Bernachi for the two appeals to be taken together was granted by the Court. The application was supported by Mr Loschy and Mr Chen raised no objection.

OPENS CASE

Opening for the Godown Company, Mr Loschy said that the two appeals both sought to reverse a judgment of Mr Justice Reece dated November 1, 1952. In the appeal of the Godown Company, Counsel said he was asking for a further order, namely, that they be given leave to interplead in the matter of the 50 bundles of Buntal fibre, which had been in their possession for some time and which fibre was adversely claimed by both the Universal Development Company and the American President Lines.

Mr Loschy said that the APL delivered to the Godown Company 50 bales of Buntal fibre on April 13, 1952. It was a completely ordinary godown transaction and the fibre was received by the Godown Company in the ordinary course of business.

On June 15, 1951, his clients received instructions in writing to have the goods put on monthly storage and to hold the goods to the order of the APL. The letter asked that the relative godown warrant be sent.

Counsel said that a godown warrant for 30 bales of Buntal fibre and a godown warrant for 20 bales were sent on June 17, and July 13, 1951, respectively.

The importance of the two godown warrants meant, said Counsel, that for the third time the precise nature of the holding by the Godown Company was put in writing and stressed, namely, that the goods were held to the order of the APL.

LIABILITY ADMISSION
Counsel said that the warrants constituted an admission of liability by the Godown Company to the APL, that certain goods had been deposited with his clients and the terms on which they had been deposited were admitted, namely, that the Godown Company had no right to dispose of the goods except at the order of the APL.

Nothing happened to the goods until June 25, 1952, Mr Loschy went on. He said he would now read an affidavit made by Mr John Henderson of the Godown Company in which the affidavit said that on June 20 Mr Percy Chen and Mr Y.K. Kan and two other persons whom he did not know called at the Company's office and said that they wished to effect delivery of the 50 bales of Buntal fibre on behalf of their clients the Universal Development Company (UDC). They presented a copy of a bill of lading in respect of the goods and said that the original bill had been deposited in the Supreme Court. The bill of lading produced appeared to have the endorsement of a Trading Company in favour of the UDC and also to have been endorsed by that Company.

The bill of lading however had no endorsement by the APL, the affidavit went on.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Shamshuipo Stench

Sir—The same pestilential stench which until some short time ago "perfumated" the Kowloon City sea-cum Nullah and vicinity, is arising now daily, most of all when the ebb-tide has receded and laid bare the silted-up foreshore, from the Shamshuipo Ferry Wharf in Shamshuipo to the end of the waterfront where the Nan Cheong Street Almy nullah empties itself into the sea. The obvious reasons are the gross human excremental matter flowing into the water from the large diameter W.C. drainage pipe right at the side of the ferry wharf. In a mighty stream continuously, as well as all the filth from the nullah discharges. These excremental matters do pose themselves at low water on the badly silted-up foreshore mudbanks stretching a good distance into the bay, and give out a really pestilential and nauseating stench from which the entire neighbourhood with its numerous inhabitants, shops and incessant ferry and bus traffic is suffering. The Shamshuipo ferry wharf is an important traffic centre now, serving not less than two ferry routes and two bus routes, and for the Authorities to allow such a scandalous state of affairs to continue longer is plain contempt for the people's health in this neighbourhood. The remedy would be, as in Kowloon City nullah, to lengthen the excremental discharge drain pipe well below the low-water mark, farther out into Shamshuipo Bay, where the gross excremental matter would be swept away by the currents. Into deep water, thus preventing this decaying matter to remain on and permeate the flat mudbanks and remain circulating in the ebbles of the shallow waters off-shore.

The same pestilential stench from the Kowloon City nullah was quickly and effectively stopped by His Excellency the Governor giving orders in Council to the PWD to W.C. drainage pipe for the necessary length into the sea, and IT WAS DONE.

It is too much to hope that prompt attention will be given to the same grave stench poisoning the life of the inhabitants and movement of people around the Shamshuipo ferry wharf band in Shamshuipo? Do our officials think that above accumulating public complaints — do what is their specialised duty? Let us hope not.

SHAMSHUIPO FOREIGN RESIDENT.

'Down Memory Lane'

Sir—As a licensee-paying radio listener I applaud your leading article voicing disapproval about the removal of above programme from the air.

It is about the only programme which caters to all tastes and in these troubled times, there is nothing sweeter than to be able to escape into another world. This is exactly what 'Down Memory Lane' does to me and I am sure it does the same to a host of others. It takes me back to those care-free pre-atomic days when the world was a lovely place to live in.

If it is a case of something really having to go, how about cutting out the long hair stuff, and stuff mostly picked up out of some musical library?

G. F. d'AQUINO.

MAN FOOLS CONSTABLE

For fooling a detective into giving him \$50 and paying his fountain pen, a 30-year-old unemployed, Leung Kam-yuen, was sentenced to four months' hard labour by Mr Poon Yeh-hoi at Central this morning.

The defendant pleaded guilty to both charges of obtaining money under false pretences, and unlawful paying.

Inspector C. Pope prosecuting said that on December 24, the defendant rang up DPC 950 and told him that he had some information for him.

He met him the following day at the Kee Heung Yuen Cafe and told the detective that he knew a Chinese man who were robbers and had possession of some arms. He said that they had committed a robbery at Kowloon City. He then asked the detective for \$50, which was given to him.

From December 29-31, the defendant got another \$30 from the detective.

On January 6, the detective took the defendant to the Central Police station for more facts on the alleged robbers. After the interview, the defendant asked the detective for his fountain pen, as he said he wanted it to write things down, when he met the robbers.

Next day the defendant pawned the pen.

Changing Of The Guard

The 1st Battalion, The Royal Ulster Rifles took over the Force guard duties in the Colony from the 1st Battalion The Welch Regiment this morning in an impressive ceremony.

Starting from Murray Parade Ground, the RUR guards, led by their Band, marched up Garden Road towards Government House. Along the way, guards peeled off to make over at Flagstaff House and Headquarters, Land Forces.

After assuming their duties at Government House, the RUR guards presented arms to the outgoing Welch guards.

On the watch down, the Welch guards were led by their Band of the Royal Ulster Rifles to Murray Barracks, where they "unfixed bayonets".

Lieut-Col J. Drummond, DSO, Commanding Officer of the Royal Ulster Rifles, was present at the ceremony. The take-over was received by Captain W. R. H. Charley of the RUR from Captain R. Bingley of the Welch Regiment.